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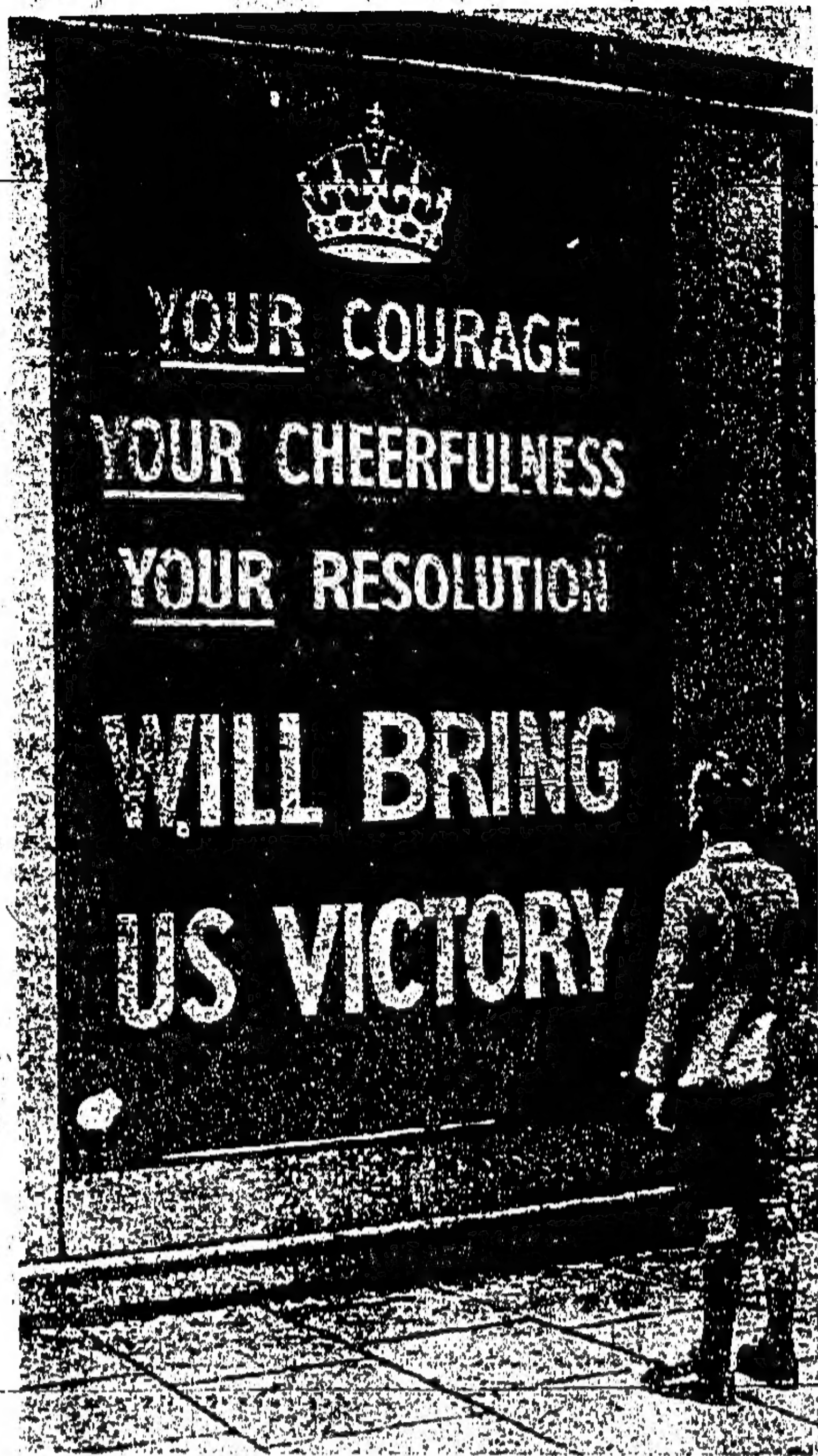
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YOUTHFUL LONDONER WITH GAS MASK—Posters throughout the British capital recommend "cheerfulness" and "resolution" as proper attitudes, and this young Briton seems to be thinking it over. The Capital has obeyed the instructions to such extent that now the Government finds occasion to warn Londoners not to be too off guard.

WORK BEING RUSHED ON YUNNAN - BURMA LINE: OPENING IN LATE 1940

"Daily Press" Exclusive

KUNMING, Oct. 25 (By Air Mail)—The construction of the Yunnan-Burma Railway is making rapid progress. The line is being built in two sections, the eastern, 410 kilometres in length, running from Kunming to Tsinghuatung, and the western, 470 kilometres, from Tsinghuatung to Shuta.

All rumours to the effect that work on this new international life-line is being suspended are without foundation. The building of the railway is being pushed at both ends, a total of 100,000 men are engaged on it, and it is expected that the end of 1940 will see it in operation. The freight capacity will be 300 tons. The estimated NC\$100,000,000 construction cost is partly covered by foreign loans.

To speed up the completion of the work, Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek recently instructed executives of the line to build the western section on a 0.80 metre gauge instead of 1 metre as originally planned.

JAPANESE RAID SZECHUEN CITIES

CHUNGKING, Oct. 25 (Reuter)—After a fortnight of quiet, Japanese aircraft again resumed their raiding of Szechuen cities last night. Japanese aircraft in two groups raided cities in East and West Szechuen keeping the populace of Chungking in dug-outs for almost six hours.

The alarm was sounded here at 7.15 p.m. when the first group of Japanese planes was sighted heading up-river from Hankow.

After crossing the Szechuen border the raiders divided into two squadrons one bombing Wushan, on the Yangtze Gorges fame, while the other squadron bombed Fengtash, to the west of Wushan. Five minutes after the all-clear signal was sounded the alarm was again given when the second group of Japanese bombers was sighted heading towards Chungking from Hankow along the Yangtze River. The raiders then headed for

According to the budget, the building of the eastern section will require a monthly outlay of CN\$4,000,000 and that of the western front (narrow gauge) section, NC\$2,000,000. Actually, the monthly allotments to the two sections have never exceeded NC\$2,500,000 and \$300,000 respectively. Though the eastern section has been able to manage on this amount, the progress of the western has been retarded. One of the objects of narrowing the gauge is, of course, to save labour and material.

DIFFICULT CONDITIONS
Topographic and climatic conditions in this region are very difficult. The route laid down for the line takes it through the foothills of the Nanling range and the Himalayas. Transportation of materials is a knotty problem and skilled labour is not locally available. Practically all work has to be suspended during the rainy season. Another scourge that must be fought and conquered is malaria which has taken a heavy toll of the workers.

The Director-General of the Yunnan-Burma Railway is Mr. Tseng Yang-fu, former mayor of Canton and Vice-Minister of railways. Mr. Tu Cheng-yuan is Director.

Chengtu, via Nanchung (Shunching) and Suintung. Although they approached Chengtu the Japanese bombers apparently failed to locate their objective owing to bad weather.

SUNING BOMBED
After circling for some time in the vicinity of Chengtu the raiders split into two squadrons. One squadron bombed Suning on the highway to the east of Chengtu while the other turned back via Chungking.

NAZIS HIGHLY STRUNG AND IMPATIENT: RIBBENTROP'S SPEECH SETS MILITARY CRITICS SPECULATING ANEW: OFFENSIVE STILL FEASIBLE

New British Fighter Planes

FAR SUPERIOR TO MESSERSCHMIDTS

LONDON, Oct. 25 (Reuter)—French critics say that the Germans are convinced they can batter the Maginot Line to pieces but this belief appears to be sufficiently answered by the example of the much less strongly constructed Fort Douaumont and Verdun of the last war.

Charles Morice, writing in "Petit Parisien," says that the British are engaging the enemy with marvellous new fighter planes far superior to the Messerschmidts.

The Royal Air Force carried out extensive reconnaissance flights during the past 24 hours and were over Berlin, Magdeburg and Hamburg during the night, says the Ministry of Information.

ALL SHE KNEW ABOUT ATHENIA

NEW YORK, Oct. 25 (Reuter)—Heien Macdonald, of Hartford, Connecticut, one of the witnesses quoted by Dr. Joseph Goebbels, said that all she knew about the sinking of the Athenia was told to her by a sailor in Glasgow, namely, "that the Athenia, subsequent to the torpedoing by an unknown submarine was shelled and bombed by the British to remove her from the sea as a menace to navigation."

BRITISH SHIP SUNK

GIBRALTAR, Oct. 25 (Reuter)—A British steamer, the Taina, is reported to have been sunk by a U-boat yesterday.

Reich Appointments In Poland

BERLIN, Oct. 25 (Reuter)—The Reich Minister, Dr. Frank, has been appointed Governor-General, and Herr Seydewitz, Deputy Governor of the occupied Polish territories.

According to the Czechoslovak Press Agency the third contingent of Czechoslovaks drawn from Paris suburbs has left for the training camp of the Czechoslovak Army in France, says Reuter.

Mediterranean Strongly Held By The Allies

Neutrals Not Alarmed By German Blockade Threat

LONDON, Oct. 25 (Reuter)—Summing up prospects of a German military blockade of Britain the "Yorkshire Post's" military critic says: "Neutrals are not alarmed by the threats to treat their ships as enemies if they trade with Britain. They are well aware that our sea and air units are ceaselessly watching enemy craft."

"Neutrals easily see through the German attempts to combine them in an international blockade. As Germany does not pay in cash it will soon have had budgets besides being saddled with the status of a belligerent. Germany's recent losses in submarines and aircraft are not helpful to the policy of attacking Britain with these arms."

"The Pact with Turkey operates on the sea against Germany and neither Russia, Japan, Turkey or Italy have listened to German blandishments. The Mediterranean has never been so strongly held by the Allies while the Egyptian Army has been modernised, reorganised and supported by British and Indian troops becomes a new instrument in the Near East."

JAPANESE VERSION OF SINSIANG INCIDENT

SHANGHAI, Oct. 25 (Reuter)—Dispute over property is the Japanese version of the incident in Sinsiang in which the Japanese are reported to have confiscated ground belonging to American Catholic Mission Society of the Divine Word.

A Japanese Embassy spokesman denied that the anti-British or anti-Christian movement was involved.

According to the spokesman, the Sinsiang authorities in pursuance of plans for improvement of the city, built a new road cutting partly through the Mission property. Reasonable payment was offered for the property which the missionaries are required to give up.

The spokesman added that the matter could be settled, through negotiations, quite calmly.

NORTH SEA ATTACK REHEARSED

COPENHAGEN, October 25 (Reuter)—Commenting on the failure of the German air attack on the British convoy in the North Sea on October 21 the "Afterbladet" says: "Before the war the German fleet rehearsed such an attack in the Baltic theoretically and completely destroyed the enemy. The actual attack showed the greatness of difference between theory and practice."

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Danzig Broadcast Has Revealed Confusion Of German Leaders

LONDON, OCT. 25 (REUTER)—THE NAZI FOREIGN MINISTER, HERR VON RIBBENTROP'S BROADCAST SPEECH IN DANZIG HAS SET MILITARY CRITICS SPECULATING ANEW REGARDING THE POSSIBILITY OF A GERMAN OFFENSIVE. DESPITE RAIN, WHICH APPEARS LIKELY TO CONTINUE, FLOODED RIVERS AND WATER-LOGGED GROUND, THE OFFENSIVE IS CONSIDERED TO BE STILL FEASIBLE.

IT IS OBSERVED THAT THE NAZIS ARE HIGHLY STRUNG AND IMPATIENT AND THE CONFIDENT GERMAN PEOPLE ARE NOT ACQUSTOMED TO HESITANCY ON HITLER'S PART.

The critics are also of the opinion that the German Generals cannot keep vast masses of men, now gathered in the Siegfried Line, indefinitely concentrated in so small a place. They must fight or withdraw.

A semi-official Paris commentary on Herr von Ribbentrop's speech says: "The need apparently is felt to galvanise German opinion by giving it a precise object of hate — Britain," reports Reuter.

"Ribbentrop attributes to Britain all the 'ambition' and 'perjuries' which the world, doubtless, misinformed, attributes to Germany. By this Ribbentrop unintentionally passed a most magnificent tribute to British power."

"As for France, the theme developed is that used most often by German propaganda."

"Germany desires to separate France's cause from Britain's and Ribbentrop does not seem to have noticed that diplomatic action, speeches and the military effort of Britain and France, as well as the reaction of public opinion of the two countries to methods and objectives of Hitlerite Germany, are completely identical."

Press comment on Herr von Ribbentrop's speech consider it was for internal consumption and says that it reveals the utter confusion of Nazi leaders.

CLUMSY EFFORT
Emphasis is laid on the clumsy effort to separate France and Britain and it is pointed out that Ribbentrop failed in advance. "Petit Parisien" says: "Hitler's mouthpiece made an exasperated attempt to refute Mr. Chamberlain's accusation of perjury against Hitler but did not succeed in the least."

M. Fertinax, in "L'Ordre," recalling that Germany always tried to split France and Britain, says that Ribbentrop takes the French for idiots.

"Petit Journal" refers to the fight to the finish declarations and says: "For once Ribbentrop agrees with Britain and France but there is one little difference—there is no bluffing in our statement for we shall see it through."

GREAT SHOCK
AMSTERDAM, Oct. 25 (Reuter)—Because they were assured by the Nazi leaders that peace was positive on the conclusion of the Polish campaign, Herr von Ribbentrop's speech was a great shock to the German people, state neutral observers here.

Information received here shows that the German public clung desperately to the hope that even in the last moment Hitler would avoid war.

Natural fears of the consequences of war have been increased by stories of the horrors of modern warfare related by hundreds of thousands of soldiers on their return from the Polish battlefields.

Developments, which are expected to follow Ribbentrop's speech, are therefore awaited with the deepest anxiety.

AGAINST BRITAIN

COPENHAGEN, Oct. 25 (Reuter)—The "National Tidende" surmises that Herr von Ribbentrop's speech shows that the attack which will follow shortly will be directed against Britain and her Empire only.

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CHINESE TIGHTEN GRIP ON YOYANG: SERIOUS BATTLE IN PROGRESS IN SHANSI

MILO, HUNAN, Oct. 25 (Central)—Tightening their grip on Yoyang, the Chinese have occupied Yenchiatan, south-east of the city.

The Japanese column attempting to launch a flank attack on the Chinese units at Tsao-shiehing has been repulsed.

Chinese vanguards operating on the Hunan-Hupeh border destroyed in Sunday three Japanese army lorries on the highway between Yanglowsze and Wulpai, respectively 37 and 30 miles north-east of Yoyang, on the Canton-Hankow Railway, and killed ten Japanese soldiers.

A group of Japanese forcing Chinese to repair the highway at Wulpai was attacked and annihilated on the same day.

SERIOUS ENGAGEMENTS
LOYANG, Oct. 25 (Central)—Serious engagements between Chinese and Japanese forces have been in progress near Slangning in West Shansi, during the last two days.

Japanese troops from Sinkiang, Egypt and Kucheng attempting to go to the rescue of their comrades east of Slangning have met with stiff Chinese resistance. A Japanese force succeeded in penetrating the Chinese cordon west of Slangning and is pushing towards Tashihow in an attempt to establish contact with the Japanese advancing northwards from

Impudent & Transparent Falsehood

LAUGHTER IN THE COMMONS

LONDON, Oct. 25 (Reuter)—Mr. Arthur Henderson (Lab.) in the House of Commons, asked the Prime Minister whether, in view of repeated official German allegations that gas was supplied to the Polish Government by the British Government, he could make a statement on the matter.

Mr. Chamberlain reminded Mr. Henderson that the War Minister had already caused a most explicit denial to be made to "this most impudent and transparent falsehood" and added:

"I am glad of the opportunity for stating categorically once more that poison gas had never been supplied by this country to Poland in any form."

Mr. Henderson: Is it the Government's view that these allegations constitute propaganda to justify possible use of gas by the Germans themselves?

The Premier: We have known of similar instances in the past (Laughter).

GUARD DOUBLED

NEW YORK, Oct. 25 (Reuter)—The Police have doubled the guard at the births of the Queen Mary and Normandie following reports that one of them is to be sabotaged in the next few days, states the "New York Times."

In the World of Sports

TYPICAL EARLY SEASON DISPLAYS GIVEN IN LAST WEEK-END'S LEAGUE

SOFTBALL MATCHES

Chinese - Mindanao Clash Only Outstanding Game

BY R.O.Y.

With the exception of the Canadian Chinese-Mindanao clash, the League softball matches decided on Sunday again disappointed the host of fans who turned out expecting to witness some even tussles.

Biggest disappointment of the day was the typical early season display of the Chung Hwa aggregation, who were generally expected to run the champion Recreio gang to a close finish.

Despite the patchy display of the Recs, who committed 5 errors, Chung Hwa were never in the hunt, miscuing 11 times in the field to allow the winners to garner 8 tallies on only 9 safeties, while scoring 3 runs on a meagre 4 clouts of the steady hurling of Johnny Alvares.

ILL AT EASE

Linbo Gosano, playing out of his usual spot at the Keystone Sack, was palpably ill at ease, and will probably be shifted back to the other side of the diamond for his next outing. Nick Beltrao did a sound job at the initial sack, but the other infielders, Lima and Sperry Pereira, were seldom tested.

The outfielders, Gerry Gosano, Caco Marques and Eddie Gosano, came through with colours flying. Earl Wong worked like a beaver on the mound for the Chinese, and received brilliant support from the irrepressible Nip Lum, behind the plate.

Wally Ching gave his sorriest display for years, and Tuffy Ching was obviously out of practice. Wilbur Wu was excellent at first base, but the less said about the remainder of the squad, the better.

RUNAWAY WIN

The second game resulted in a runaway win for the rookies of the International Athletic Club over the Filipino Club by 19 tallies to 4. Loyola certainly did not deserve the heavy defeat chalked up to him, as the support accorded him was of the poorest seen on the local diamond.

Albert Leonard, on the mound

for I. A. C., always had a big lead to coast on, but did not let up at any stage of the game.

Sherry Bux was sound behind the plate, but his eagerness in reaching for the ball caused him to allow the opposing batters several bases for interference. Willy Sprinkle gave an improved display at the Windy Alley while S. Razack was the longest hitter of the game.

NARROW MARGIN

The Canadian Chinese played fine defensive ball to nose out the Mindanao gang by the narrow margin of 3 markers to 2, after being out 6 to 7.

Thomas and Douglas were Mindanao's best hitters, but "Red" Keplinger pulled the star play of the game when, with two away and runners on second and third, Bill Woo slashed a drive along the left field foul line only to be mortified by seeing Keplinger gather the pill with a bare-handed stab as it was passing over the fence.

Herbie Quon was not at his best, but had enough smoke on his deliveries to fan five of the bluejackets. Kassa Nazari, handled the receiving job fairly satisfactorily. Bill Woo and George White were effective in a quiet way while Denham Cray was positively brilliant at shortstop. George Lee weaved under some high flies in the centre garden but hung on to everything that went his way.

TROJANS LOSE

The Trojans lost to English Forum by 10 to 3, after giving away gift tallies in the opening frames. They steadied down during the later stages of the

game and showed promise of better things to come.

D. Aquino gave an excellent performance at the Windy Alley, but the other infielders were made to look exceeding bad when Johnny Lee pulled the rare boner of "pilfering second with the bases loaded," only for the Trojans to toss the ball around long enough for the runners on second and third to cross the plate with Johnny perched on third. Kitchell and Tommy Young thoroughly enjoyed themselves inter-switching from second to third to short. Pang played a grand game at centre field, but Yum, with a slick display at the initial sack, was the most impressive member of the winning squad.

WELCOME SURPRISE

The Central British Assoc. created a welcome surprise by trouncing the Machine Gunners by the convincing margin of 18-6. Apart from Roy Maxwell at short and Sammy Izant behind the pan, the Emma Gees played a poorer brand of ball than one would expect even from a green gang of rookies.

The British boys hooked, cut and drove to garner their huge score, but received great help from the opposing fielders who committed 17 bobbles to chalk up a new local record, "Rusty" Fedoseyeff, hurling for the winners, was never in any kind of trouble and received good support from Lockhart, who has only to improve his pegging to become the best backstop the C. B. A. have ever had.

FRIENDLY TUSSELE

The Recreio boys, taking every opportunity to improve their standard of ball playing, took on the high-class U. S. S. Tulsa gang in a hard fought, but enjoyable friendly tussle. The surprising feature of this game, was the greater success met with by Recreio's "B" team when they replaced the "A" players in the sixth frame.

The senior gang handed over a four run deficit, 8-4, but the junior squad, absolutely undaunted, staged a rally to outscore the winners 4-2, reducing the final margin to 10-8. On this display, it will not be surprising to see Recreio "B" make good their boast that they are going to take their colleagues of the "A" team when they meet in the league.

KEEN RUGGER ENCOUNTER

POLICE DEFEAT CLUB "A"

In a hard fought friendly rugger match played at Happy Valley yesterday afternoon, the Police defeated the Club "A" XV by 18 points (two converted tries) to 6 (two tries unconverted).

The Club led by the odd point in 11 at the interval and, on the whole, the Police were rather lucky to emerge winners.

The Club's tries were obtained by Hamilton and Thompson while Luscombe and Wilson went over for the Police. Fay converted both efforts.

The teams were:—
CLUB—M. G. Carruthers; F. M. Thompson, D. H. Hamilton, D. B. Nelson, A. H. R. Butcher; R. Rutherford, E. W. Stout, K. W. Salter, P. R. Wanklyn, B. Hynes; R. M. M. King, W. B. Richardson, J. Roscoe and L. A. Benn.
POLICE—Wall; E. C. Luscombe, B. C. Fay, G. S. Wilson, A. Jackson; D. Taylor, E. V. Searle, Wheeler, Dempsey, A. Cullinan, G. Davitt, R. W. F. Jenner, J. S. Riddell, Morrison and Reynolds.

His Excellency the Governor entertained a lawn bowls team from the Kowloon Dock Recreation Club to a friendly match at Government House yesterday, the visitors emerging the winners.



Above is Team B which holds the leading positions to date in the Lady Stubbs Cup polo competition. The players are, from left to right, Capt. W. B. Wilson, Mr. D. I. Marshall, Major W. G. Temple and Mr. P. E. Nicholson.

FAST POLO IN STUBBS CUP TOURNAMENT

MANY EXCITING MOMENTS IN YESTERDAY'S PLAY: DRAWN GAME

ONE OF THE FASTEST AND MOST INTERESTING GAMES OF POLO, in the series being played for the Lady Stubbs Cup, was seen yesterday at the Boundary Road ground, when Team "B" (White) drew with Team "P" (Red), each side scoring three goals.

The speed at which the game was played provided some thrilling moments for players and spectators alike, but unfortunately several unintentional fouls occurred and the referees' whistles were very much in evidence, especially in the last two chukkers, when several penalties were allowed to both sides.

The teams met on level terms, each side having a handicap of seven, and were undoubtedly a well-balanced set. This was revealed not only in the result, but also in the trend of play which veered from side to side with neither side having an outstanding advantage at any time.

Capt. Gilbertson and Capt. Wilson were once again the most prominent players and brought off some brilliant movements, their hard and accurate hitting being very much in evidence. Lt. Holdsworth scored early in the first chucker to give the Reds an early lead. The next session opened with a foul against the Reds and Marshall taking the penalty hit, made no mistake.

PENALTY SAVED

Another penalty against the Reds was taken by Marshall but was saved. From the melee that ensued Capt. Wilson broke away but was outtripped and checked. Marshall, however, took up the attack and nearly scored, but was ridden off. Before the end of the chucker, however, the Reds increased their score and the chucker ended 2/1 in their favour.

RECREIO "B" RELEGATED IN LAWN BOWLS LEAGUE

FIRST ROUND SURPRISES IN GUTIERREZ SHIELD

(BY JACK HY)

The play-off between Kowloon Docks and Recreio B resulted in a convincing win for the former. In consequence Recreio B, who won a promotion to the First Division only this year, will be relegated again to the Second, in which Recreio will also have two teams next year. (It will be remembered that they won the Third Division title this season and will, therefore, be promoted next year.)

While the result of this play-off is most gratifying to many bowlers in the Colony, it is, nevertheless, a pity that Recreio B, after fighting so hard for a promotion, have to go back to the Second Division after only a season in the First. Another season will, I am sure, do them a world of good.

However, there's no denying the fact that they were beaten in a convincing manner last Saturday. None of their skips won. A. A. Remedios and his men put up the best effort for Recreio when they tied with S. Gray, F. X. Soares and J. J. Basto lost to G. Cooper and J. Kempton respectively by 22 shots.

GUTIERREZ SHIELD

There were three matches in the first round of the Gutierrez Shield competition on Saturday last at the Kowloon B.G.C. The

only surprise of the afternoon (and what a surprise!) was provided by China when they brought off a fifty to one chance by narrowly beating Portugal by five shots in a thrilling game.

Portugal started off strong favourites—and no wonder. They have a host of good bowlers to draw from and the four representatives chosen appear formidable enough to beat any team.

Either through lack of practice (it transpired later that the rink had never played together before) or over confidence in their ability, the Portuguese, under the leadership of Carlos Silva who is the most successful skip in the League, found themselves with their backs to the wall right from the beginning.

China, on the other hand, found their confidence increasing with every wood sent down. T. K. Lim, their number two, was drawing beautifully to the jack and there is no doubt that it was he who laid the foundation for China's win.

JOHN PAU'S DISPLAY

However, Lim's good work would undoubtedly have been wasted had he not been backed up by his skip, John Pau, who, in my opinion, played one of the best games of his life last Saturday and thereby claimed for himself the lion's share of the credit for his country's win. When Carlos was lying three or four, he would calmly take second or even first place. Indeed, his play drew several rounds of applause from the many spectators who seemed more interested in the China-Portugal match than in the other matches.

EASY PASSAGE

Scotland had an easy passage into the Second Round at the expense of Wales whom they beat by 31-11. Switzerland, on the other hand, had to fight tooth and nail against Australia before they earned the right to advance into the

D.B.S. BEATEN AT CRICKET

The Diocesan Boys' School were the hosts to the Royal Corps of Signals in a friendly cricket match played at the School yesterday. The visitors won by 54 runs.

The Signals batted first, declaring at 139 for 6 wickets. To this total Captain Whistman contributed 48, and L/Cpl. Murphy 55 not out. L. R. Burch was the most successful bowler for the School, taking 2 wickets for 36 runs.

The School were all out for 89. A. J. Prata contributing 33 to this total. Sgt. Brakenberry and Cpl. Blount took the toll of the School wickets, the former taking 5 for 23 and the latter 4 for 34.

Second Round of the competition. It was tough and so all along. If Teddy Fincher had had as much support from the rest of his rink as he had from W. J. Reid, Australia might have won.

L. Gadd and Joe Landolt took turns to be useful, but in my opinion it was the heavy woods of Charlie Roosevelt (Switzerland's skip) that swung the pendulum in Switzerland's favour.

On a number of heads, with several shots against him, Roosevelt's wood would take a wick here and there, and come in for the first shot. Switzerland won eventually by 20-17.

INDIA'S WIN
A second round match between India and Malaya played at the
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THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

Draft Programmes and Entry Forms for the Tenth Extra Race Meeting to be held on Saturday, 4th November, 1939. (Weather permitting), may be obtained at the Secretary's Office, Exchange Building; the Club House, Happy Valley; the Hong Kong Club; the Sports Club; and the Stables, Shan Kwong Road.

Entries close at 12 o'clock NOON on Thursday, 26th Oct., 1939.

By Order,
C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.

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NOMADS DEFEAT CLUB IN FAST HOCKEY MATCH

Losers Outplayed For Most Part: R. J. Reed Prominent

OUTPLAYED BY THEIR OPPONENTS FOR THE GREATER PART of the game at King's Park yesterday, the Nomads Hockey Club nevertheless succeeded in defeating the Hongkong Hockey Club 1st XI by the only goal of the match.

J. H. Franco, playing at right-wing, netted in the closing stages of the game in one of the very rare raids made by the Nomads forwards on the Club goal.

The Club fielded what would have been their strongest combination yet this season, except that G. E. R. Divett, Captain and centre-forward, who is recovering from a cricket injury, was unable to play. He was present however, and undertook the duties of umpire.

Sidney Fowler replaced Divett at centre-forward, but was not impressive and could have been played to better advantage at right-wing. Norman Whitley was retained in the forward line following his showing against the Y.M.C.A. a week ago, and Morgan was moved from the centre-berth to left-wing.

POTTER SHINES

D. T. Smith was brought in at right-wing where he played a good game. In the half-line, J. E. Potter gave a good display in his first appearance for the Club this season, while Comdr. Corrie-Hill was outstanding on the left. The latter player suffered an injury to his knee near the conclusion of the game.

The Nomads were not lacking in enthusiasm, but their defeat of Club was achieved despite a lack of ability to combine rather than as a result of good combinative play. R. J. Reed, captain of the

LADIES HOCKEY TRIAL

The following Kowloon players are asked to turn up for the first hockey trial, for the above match, on Monday, Oct. 30, on the C.B.A. ground, King's Park, at 5.15 p.m.

Colours:—M. Reed, G. White, M. Wilkott; M. Silva, M. Goncalves, P. Everest, B. Longbottom, M. Quick, A. Smith, B. Harker, F. Wong, A. Alves (Extra forward).

White:—J. Hall, B. Parsons, D. Moss, H. Reid, I. Woolley, J. Wong, M. Smalley, N. Quinn, D. McCaw, M. Shand, M. Marr.

Sporting

Fixtures

FRIDAY, OCT. 27.

BADMINTON.—Y.M.C.A. Badminton, in the West Lounge, 8 p.m.
SWIMMING.—Y.M.C.A. Mixed Swimming, 6 p.m.

SATURDAY, OCT. 28.

BADMINTON.—Y.M.C.A. Badminton, in the West Lounge, 10 a.m.
BOWLS.—Athenhead Shield, at Kowloon Cricket Club, p.m.

FOOTBALL.—Division I: (4.30 p.m.) South China "A" v. South China "B"; C. Hill; Middlesex v. Royal Scots, Sookunpoo; Kowloon v. Police, Kowloon; Kwong Wah v. Club, Boundary Road; Division II (A): South China v. Kit Chee (C. Hill), 3 p.m.; 8th R.A. v. R.A.O.C. (Stanley), 3 p.m.; 30th R.A. v. Club (Stanley) 4.30 p.m.; Division II (B): Royal Scots v. Kwong Wah (Sookunpoo) 3 p.m.; Police v. Kowloon (Boundary Rd.), 3 p.m.; R.A.P. v. Engineers (Kowloon) 3 p.m.; Signals v. Univ. (St. Joseph's), 3 p.m.; Division III: Kumaons v. Int'l (Chatham Rd.), 3 p.m.; Signals v. S. China (St. Joseph's), 4.30 p.m.

SUNDAY OCT. 29.

FOOTBALL.—Division I: (4.30 p.m.) Eastern v. Royal Navy (Club); Division II (A): Eastern v. 5th R.A. (Club) 3 p.m.; Division III: Electric v. R.A.S.C. (C. Hill), 3 p.m.; Engineers v. R. Scots (C. Hill) 4.30 p.m.; 12th R.A. v. 24th R.A. (Stanley) 3 p.m.; 5th R.A. v. R.A.M.C. (Sookunpoo) 4.30 p.m.

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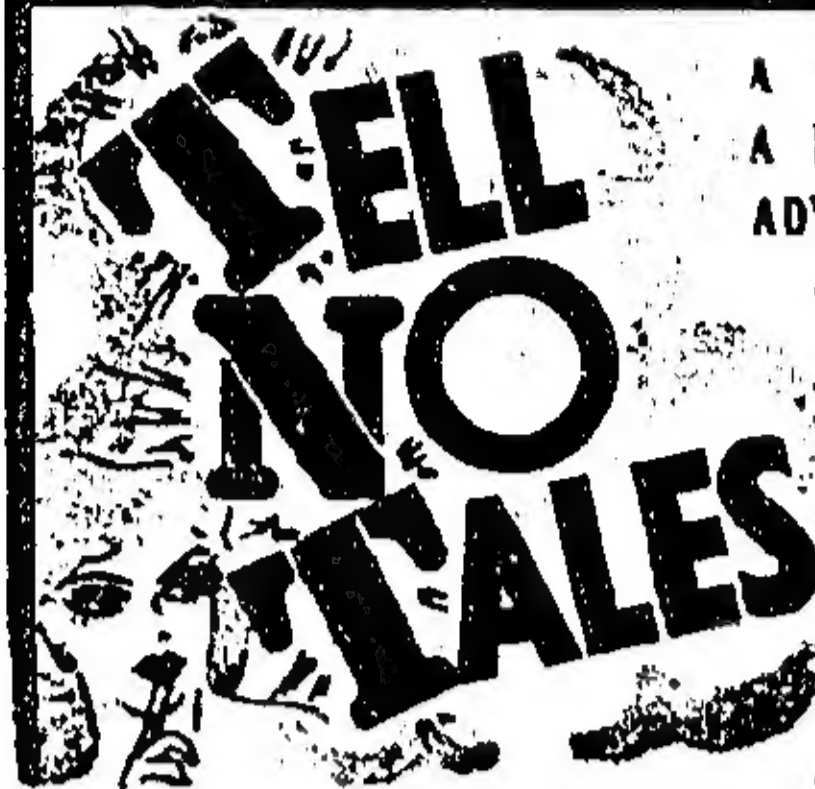
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CURRENT FILMS

KING'S—Coast Guard (Columbia).
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Walter Connolly.QUEEN'S—Tell No Tales (MGM).
Melvyn Douglas, as a determined
reporter, brings a gang of kidnappers
and murderers to justice.
Good average entertainment.
Louise Platt is the girl.ORIENTAL—Reformatory (Warner
Bros.). One of the dramatic pictures
shown this year, and a
splendid argument for revision of
treatment of juvenile offenders.
Jack Holt and Bobby Jordan are
starred.CATHAY—Broadway Melody of 1938
(MGM). Pleasant musical with
Eleanor Powell demonstrating
how well she can tap. The picture
is notable for being the vehicle
for Robert Taylor's debut.ALHAMBRA—The Vagabond Prince.
Chinese picture, in the Cantonese
dialect. Stars Miss Chan
Wan-shung, who has taken the place
on the Chinese screen
vacated by Butterfly Wu, and Ma
Sze-tsang, popular stage player.MAJESTIC—Adventures of Marco
Polo (United Artists). Gary Cooper,
as the enterprising Venetian,
saves the throne for Kublai Khan,
played by George Barbier. Sigrid
Gurle is the girl. Marco Polo
never recorded this, but it is,
nevertheless, interesting.STAR—Invitation to Happiness
(Paramount). Story of the love
between a boy and a girl who be-
long to different strata of society.
With Fred MacMurray and Irene
Dunne.

"COAST GUARD" OPENS AT KING'S TO-DAY

Unique in theme and based upon
actual incidents in the thrill-
ing history of the United States
Coast Guard, Columbia's new
screen drama opens to-day at the
King's Theatre with Randolph
Scott, Frances Dee, Ralph Bellamy
and Walter Connolly heading the
important cast. Said to be among
the most important motion pic-
tures of the year, "Coast Guard"
has been hailed for its dramatic
departure from the beaten path of
action melodrama.The story, dedicated to courage-
ous guardsmen who have risked
their lives in the pursuance of
duty, reveals the manifold activi-
ties of an organization which has
protected the shores of America
since the birth of the nation.The film, which was directed by
Edward Ludwig, reveals the wide-
spread duties of the Coast Guard,
with its centre of action shifting
from the annual ice break in the
Arctic to disaster-ridden com-
munities in time of flood. Romance
is painted against this exciting
background of Coast Guard work.

"THERE'S THAT WOMAN AGAIN" AT MAJESTIC

"There's That Woman Again,"
referring to Melvyn Douglas' dim-
witted detective spouse in "There's
Always a Woman," will appear
at the Majestic Theatre to-morrow
with Virginia Bruce in the role
introduced by Joan Blondell.
Douglas, who created the charac-
ter of the wife-troubled Bill Reardon
in the original romantic mys-
tery-comedy, again plays the har-
assed detective.Margaret Lindsay plays the dan-
gerously attractive Mrs. Nacelle
with Tom Dugan the role of Flan-
nigan, Douglas' slap-happy aide.
Other members of the supporting
cast include Gordon Oliver, Paul
Harvey, Jonathan Hale, Stanley
Ridges and Pierre Watkin.

GERMAN & AUSTRIAN REFUGEES OFFER SERVICES

NAIROBI, Oct. 25 (Reuters).—
German and Austrian refugees in
Kenya have offered their services
to the Government.In a petition, they ask to be
accepted for military and other
duties in the same manner as
King's subjects. In a letter they
express gratitude for the leave
given them to rebuild their homes
and to live in liberty after "the
degrading oppression of the Hitler
regime."The new mystery film, The
Wizard of Oz, has been made in M-
G-M's most lavish style. The cast
of players includes Judy Garland,
as Dorothy, the heroine of the
story, Jack Haley, as the Tin
Woodman, Ray Bolger, as the
Scarecrow, Bert Lahr as the Lion,
and Margaret Hamilton as the
Witch.

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"La Tosca" Act II

12.15 p.m. Short Service of Inter-
cession.12.30 Peter Dawson (Bass-Baritone)
in a Military Band Concert.Swastika March (Klohr); Entry Of
The Boyards—March (Halvorsen, arr.
Winterbottom)—The Band of H.M.
Coldstream Guards. The Silver Patrol
(from same)—Peter Dawson (Bass-
Baritone) with Male Quartet. Bells
Of St. Mark (Rimmer); Amparo Roca
(Tendler)—Callender's Senior Band.
The Fleet's Not In Port Very Long
(film O'Kay for Sound)—The Rivet-
ter (Sievler and Arlen)—Peter Daw-
son (Bass-Baritone) with Orchestra
and Chorus. The Whistler and His
Dog (Fryer); The Whistling Farmer
Boy (Fitzmore)—Silver Stars Band.1.00 Local Time Signal and Weath-
er Report.1.03 Patricia Rossborough at the
Piano.China Doll Parade (Zamecnik);
52nd Street—Selection. Sailing Along
—Selection. Snow White and the
Seven Dwarfs—Selection.

1.15 Al Bollington at the Organ.

Once in a While (Green-Edwards);
"Resale" Selection (Col. Porter)—Al
Bollington. "Champagne Waltz"—
Selection; "Banjo On My Knee"—
Selection—Al Bollington with Anton
and The Paramount Theatre Orches-
tra. Bell Medley—Al Bollington with
Anton and The Paramount Theatre
Orchestra.1.30 Reuter & Rugby Press, Weath-
er Forecast and Announcements.

1.45 Dance Music.

Rumbas—You've Got The Wrong
Rumba; Farewell, Sweet Benorita—
Don Miguel and His Cuban Music.
Fox-Trots—My Boy Friend—Harold
Morris and His Orchestra. Week-
end—Louis Brill and His Orchestra.
Tango—Play Gypsy (from Maritza);
Waltz—Vienna So Gay (from Maritza);
Victor Silvester and His Ball-
room Orchestra. Fox-Trots—Let
A Song Go Out My Heart; Waltz—
Cinderella's Sweetheart—Oscar Rabbin
and His Romya Band.

2.15 Close down.

3.45 Studio—Children's Hour.

6.45 Light Orchestral.

"The Waltz Drama"—Selection (O.
Strauss)—De Groot and The Piccadilly
Orchestra. Babylonian Nights (Za-
mechnik); In The Sudan (Szekel)—Al-
bert Sammons and His Gaumont
State Orchestra.6.57 Closing Local Stock Quota-
tions.6.59 Songs by Robert Elsdell
(Tenor).Looking For You (Taylor and San-
derson); Love's Song Is Sung (Sal-
mon and Russell). Always As I Close
My Eyes (Handfield-Jones and E.
Coates); Thinkin' Of Mary (Ashby &
Bennett).7.15 Elgar—Sonata In E Minor,
Op. 82.Albert Sammons (Violin) and Wil-
liam Murdoch (Piano).

7.37 Orchestral Selections.

Springtime Suite (Eric Coates)—
Light Symphony Orchestra cond. by

PREMIER CALLS ON KING: QUEEN VISITS FACTORY

LONDON, Oct. 25 (Reuters).—His
Majesty the King received Mr.
Chamberlain, the Prime Minister,
in audience last night.Her Majesty the Queen yester-
day visited a large clothing fac-
tory in the east part of London.
She watched hundreds of girls
making clothes for the troops.Although her visit was un-
announced, there was a large
crowd outside the factory and she
was warmly cheered.

HELP NEEDED FOR HARVESTING

While harvesting is proceeding
satisfactorily in most parts of the
country, there are some places
where further immediate assistance
would be welcomed, states Sir
Reginald Dorman Smith, the
Minister of Agriculture, in an
appeal for voluntary helpers.After emphasizing the need for
securing this year's corn harvest
in good condition, he adds: "The
job has to be done quickly, and it
would be most useful from the
national standpoint if individuals
who are able to spare a day or half
a day would give their help."In many cases voluntary
workers may be able to get into
direct touch with farmers who still
have crops to save."The Minister has arranged with
the National Farmers' Union to
put notices in local papers where
assistance is needed, showing to
whom inquiries should be address-
ed.Eric Coates. Melodious Intermezzo
(Kotscher); La Polletta (Marchesi);
Krich Olschowski and His Orchestra.
Tackley (Collins)—The Richard
Oran Orchestra.8.00 Local Time Signal, Weather
Report and Announcements.8.43 Studio—Piano Recital by Nura
Kanlis.1. Variation on a "Russian Dance"
(Beethoven); 2. Intermezzo, Op. 118,
No. 2 (Brahms); 3. Bees' Wedding
(Mendelssohn); 4. The Prophet Bird
(Schumann).8.50 Lladow—Eight Russian Folk
Dances.Leopold Stokowski and the Phila-
delphia Orchestra.8.45 Studio—Talk on "A Business
Man's View on the War."

9.15 London Relay—The News.

9.30 Puccini's "La Tosca" Act II.

Singers in order of appearance:
Appollo Granforte (Baritone); Gio-
vanni Asimondi (Bass); Nello Palai
(Tenor); Carmen Melis (Soprano);
and Piero Pauli (Tenor); with Orches-
tra of La Scala, Milan, conducted by
Carlo Sabajno.10.10 Violin Solos by Fritz Kreisler:
Tambourin Chinois (Kreisler);
Caprice Viennois (Kreisler); with
Piano accomp. by Franz Rupp. A
May Breeze (Songs without Words—
Mendelssohn); Londonderry Air (arr.
Kreisler)—with Piano accomp. by
Michael Rauchslein.

10.35 Variety.

Vocal Quintette—Daddy Would't
Buy Me A Bow-Wow (Tabrar)—The
Maestros with Piano. Humorous
Monologue—Gunner Joe (Edgar)—
Stanley Holloway with Wolsley
Charles at the Piano. Vocal Quintette
—Form Four—War Songs Medley.
Intro: If you want to find the ser-
geant, Leap Frog; Mop it down; Mary
had a Little Lamb; Last long mile;
Rotten Song; Bully and Stew; And
when I die; Old Macdonald had a
farm; I want to go Home; Rolling
home; Because We're Here—The Big
Four with Orchestra. Military Band.
Policeman's Holiday—One-Step
(Ewing); Wee Macgregor Patrol
(Amers)—The Band of H.M. Cold-
stream Guards. Vocal Quartette—
Old Times—Vocal Gems—Intro:
won't you come home. Bill Bailey;
The ship I love. Git yer 'air cut;
Champs Elysees. After the Ball;
Break the News to Mother; Ta-ra-ra-
boom-de-ay; In the Good Old Sum-
mer-time; My Gal is a High-Born
Lady; Little Alabama Com; I Can't
Tell Why I Love You; Good-bye, Dol-
ly Gray—The Big Four with Piano.
Orch.—Drinking Songs (arr. Wil-
liam)—Intro: There's a tavern in the
down; In cellar cool Little Brown Jug
—Jack Hytten and His Orchestra with
Vocal Refrain.

11.00 Close down.

COMING EVENTS

OCT.

26—Tides: High 8.35 a.m. and 8.20
p.m. Low 2 a.m. and 1.55 p.m.
Sunrise: 6.25 a.m. and 5.51 p.m.
Legislative Council Mtg., 2.30 p.m.
St. Andrew's Club Social Even-
ing, 9 p.m.Entries Close for H.K. Jockey Club's
Tenth Extra Meeting, 12 noon.
Y.M.C.A. Pantomime Rehearsal, 8.30
p.m.; Ladies' Night, 7.30 p.m.; Games
Morning, 10 a.m.; First Aid Lecture,
10 a.m.Cheero Club Contract Bridge Les-
sons 8 p.m.

Theosophical Society Mtg., 8 p.m.

Speaker—Mr. D. O. Silver "Hypno-
tism."H.K. Y's Men's Club Tiffin Mtg.,
St. Francis Hotel, 1 p.m.Victoria Chess Club, Gloucester Ho-
tel, 5 p.m.Kowloon Chess Club, Peninsula Ho-
tel, 5.30 p.m.H.K. Philatelic Society, S.O.M.P.,
5.30 p.m.Ladies' Bible Study, Nathan Rd.,
10.30 a.m.Knitting and Bandage-Making,
Prison Officers' Club, 9.30 a.m.R.N.Y. Police Recreation Room,
Whist Drive, 8.30 p.m.Philharmonic Society, Cathedral
Hall, 8.45 p.m.27—Tides: High 8.41 a.m. and 8.37
p.m. Low 2.57 a.m. and 2.57 p.m.
Sunrise: 6.25 a.m.; Sunset: 5.59 p.m.Y.M.C.A. Lecture By Mrs. A. M.
Peters "First Aid for Gas," 6 p.m."Keep Fit" Class, 10.30 a.m.; Badminton
and Mxd. Swimming, 6 p.m.Central British Assn. Dance at
Peninsula Hotel, 9 p.m.Police Branch of British War Or-
ganization, Central Fire Station, 10
a.m.H.K. University Union Medical So-
ciety—Lecture by Father G. Byrne,
S.J. "Where Doctors Meet Psycholo-
gists—The Neurological Law"—6.15
p.m.Sino-American Institute Luncheon,
Yin King Restaurant, 1 p.m.; Speaker
—Dr. Arthur Woo.Cheero Club, Darts, Ping-Pong, Bil-
liards.

Stubb's Cup Polo, 3 p.m.

St. Joseph's Church—Wedding;
D'Oyly-Gregory.H.K. Reel Club, Helena May Inst.,
4.45 p.m.Christian Fellowship, Helena May
Inst., 10.30 a.m.Knitting and Bandage-Making, Cen-
tral Fire Station, 10 a.m.28—Tides: High 9.28 a.m. and 9
p.m. Low 1.15 a.m. and 1.25 a.m.
Sunrise: 6.25 a.m.; Sunset: 5.49 p.m.R. E. O. C. A. Supper Dance at
Peninsula Hotel.Lawn Bowls—Attenhead Shield,
K.C.C.

Y.M.C.A. Badminton, 10 a.m.

Entries Close for Mixed Double
Tennis at C.R.C.

29—H.K.R.A. Shoot, 9 a.m.

Mixed Doubles Tennis Tournament at
H.K.C.C. in aid of War Organization,
11 a.m.30—Y.M.C.A. Pantomime Rehearsal,
8.30 p.m.

H.K.C.C. annual Meeting 5.30 p.m.

Crown Land Sale, F.W.D., 3 p.m.

Cathedral Women's P-Township,
Jumble Sale at Cathedral Hall, 3 p.m.31—H.K. Rotary Club Tiffin Mtg., 1
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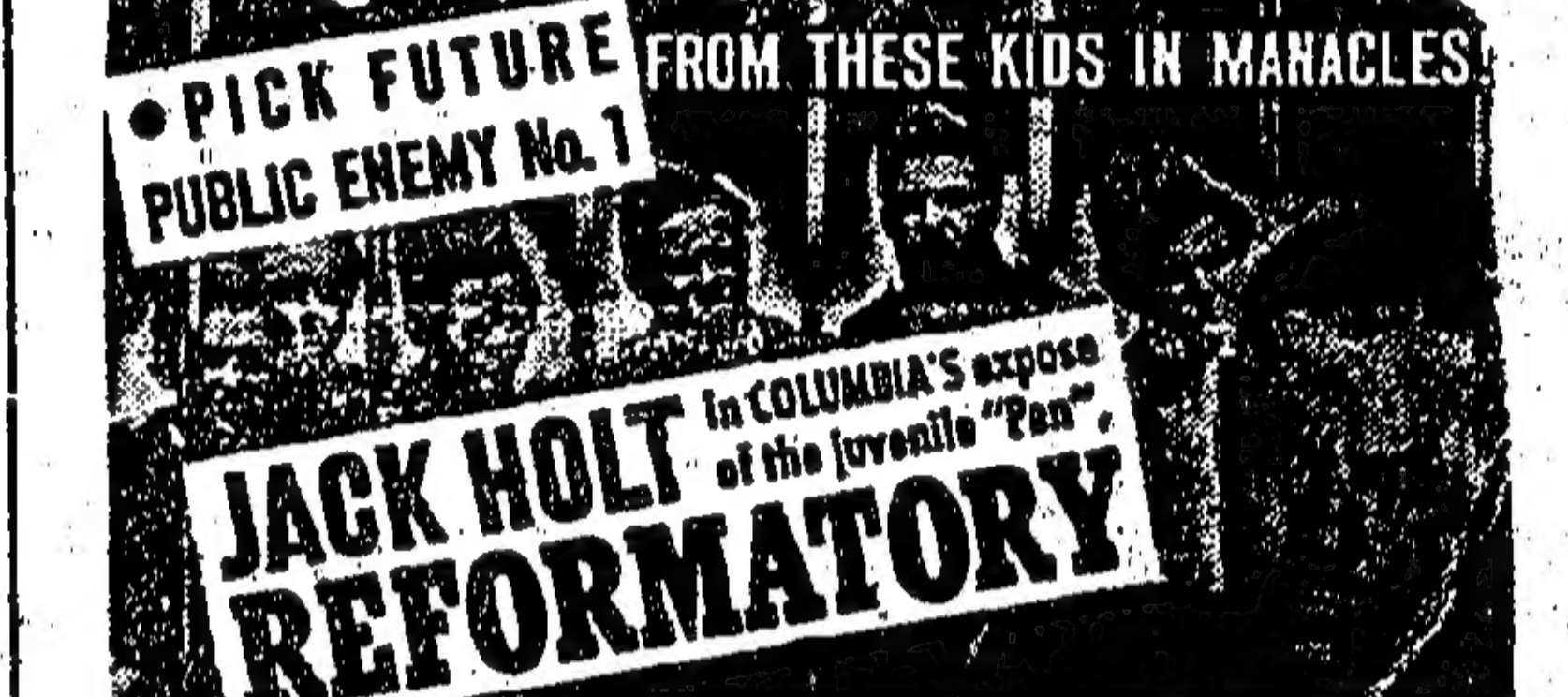
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CHUNGKING, Oct. 21—Looking after public health conditions in the provinces of Kansu, Chinghai, and Ninghsia are more than 80 experts of the Northwest Epidemic Prevention Bureau of the National Health Administration in Lanchow. The bureau is the main supplier of the nation's antitoxins and epidemic preventives, and also maintains stations treating diseases of men and animals in the three northwest provinces.

With a special fund of \$200,000 and under the expert direction of Dr. Yang Yung-lien, who spent 13 years doing research work in the National Institute for Medical Research in London, the bureau manufactures, among other things, 6,000,000 units of cholera and typhoid vaccines for the summer of 1939, of 4,000,000 units were distributed among Chinese soldiers on all fronts, and the remaining 2,000,000 were for civilians. Its pharmacy also produces more than 20 different kinds of common medicines from native compounds, "tang-kwei," and rhubarb. All these medicines are sold to the Ministry of War for use in the various military hospitals. Besides, the bureau makes all the glass tubes and bottles, corks, plaster, and distills 30 gallons of alcohol from native wine each day for its own use.

ANTI-TOXINS MADE

For the manufacture of antitoxins, the bureau acquired 80 Mongolian ponies in September, 1938. Eight Japanese horses captured by Chinese troops on the North China front were presented to the bureau by Chinese military authorities, and they are now ready to be used for a more humane purpose than their former masters made them serve. More than 1,000 guinea pigs, rabbits, cats, and doves are also kept.

The bureau maintains eight veterinary stations in the leading animal husbandry centers in Kansu, Chinghai, and Ninghsia. They maintain free clinics for horses, mules, donkeys, oxen, sheep, and other domestic animals. Expert veterinarians of the bureau also work to prevent epidemics among these animals. Their services are highly appreciated by the rural populace as well as by local authorities. Furthermore, the bureau manufactures pills for curing opium addicts, at the rate of 50,000 pills each day.

NIZAM'S GENEROUS GIFT

LONDON, Oct. 25 (Reuter).—The Nizam of Hyderabad has offered the Viceroy of India a monthly contribution of one-and-a-half lakhs of rupees (over £11,000) towards the cost of maintaining the units of the Hyderabad State Forces which may be called on for services outside the State.

He has also made a cash contribution of £100,000 for aerial warfare.

It may be recalled that he contributed a similar sum in 1917 for submarine warfare.

His Majesty the King, through the Viceroy, has conveyed his grateful appreciation for the gift to the Air Ministry and Sir Kingsley Wood and the Air Council have also expressed their thanks.

MORE OFFERS

Offers from the Nigerian native leaders of gifts of money are gratefully appreciated here.

Mr. Malcolm MacDonald, Secretary of State for the Colonies, has written them his grateful thanks for their generous offer, but that he thinks the needs of the Nigerian administration come first as he does not want to deprive that body of money which may later be required in Nigeria.

"Hammer Of The Arabs"

SLATIN PASHA'S ESTATE

One of the most adventurous careers of modern times is recalled by publication of the will of Baron Sir Rudolf Slatin Pasha, the famous "Hammer of the Arabs," Villa Mathilde, Mata Alba, Merano, Italy.

He died on Oct. 3, 1932, leaving an estate in Britain now valued at £14,774 (n.p. £12,180).

He desired that an appropriate keepsake should be given to each of his friends, Baron Rosenberg, Dr. Hans G. Syz and his wife, Sir Gen. Reginald Wingate, Col. P. R. Phipps and "the married couple, von Vittorelli."

Slatin Pasha, who was born in Austria in 1857, left Vienna at the age of 17 for the Sudan. There Gen. Gordon singled him out for service against the Mahdi. As Governor of Darfu, Slatin won many victories over tribesmen, but in 1884 was captured. He was kept prisoner by the Mahdi for over 11 years, and frequently tortured.

After the fall of Khartoum Gordon's head was brought to the camp and triumphantly displayed to Slatin.

His escape in 1895 was partly due to the efforts of Sir Reginald Wingate. Five years later Slatin was appointed British Inspector-General of the Sudan, and became a K.C.M.G. in 1898. He was created a Baron of the Austrian Empire in 1906.

"Weekly Meetings For Tea"

Mr. Frederick C. Linfield M.P., Upper Tooting, Liberal M.P. Mid-Bedfordshire 1922-23, twice Mayor of Worthing, left £5,583 (n.p. nil).

£5 21 shares in Southern and Midland Investment Trust Ltd. to Albert Marshall, Clerk to the Native Races and Liquor Traffic United Committee.

50 similar shares to Miss Janet Burtenshaw, Worthing, "in memory of our weekly meetings for tea."

Capt. Stanley Scott, St. John's terrace, East Bordon, lately master of the steamer Stancroft who was tried and acquitted last year on the charge of carrying war materials in his ship to Spanish Republican Government ports, left £324 (n.p. £482). He died intestate, and letters of administration have been granted to his widow.

The Rt. Rev. Martin (or Anscar) Vonler, St. Mary's Abbey, Buckfast, Lord Abbot of Buckfast, who was responsible for the restoration of the abbey, left estate valued at "nil."

Mr. D. O. Silver will give a Lecture on Hypnotism and Mesmerism with practical demonstrations at the Theosophical Society, Hongkong Club Annex, Ground Floor, to-day at 8 p.m.

A BERKSHIRE PROPERTY

Fishing In Two Rivers

Several miles of fishing in the Rivers Kennet and Enborne are included in the Crookham House Estate of over 2,000 acres in Berkshire, near Newbury, which is for sale privately or by auction in due course.

The principal residence, Crookham House itself, is of Georgian architecture and has ample, and well-proportioned accommodation arranged on two floors. It stands in about 116 acres of finely timbered gardens and parklands, in which there is a private cricket ground.

Comprised in the estate are five farms and some 60 cottages. The agents concerned are Nicholas (Reading) and A. W. Neate and Sons (Newbury).

Bayfield, an attractive property on the borders of a Surrey common five miles from Guildford, has been sold with about 13 acres by Knight, Frank and Rutley (Hanover-square).

SEVEN-ACRE LAKE

For the executors of the late Mr. A. H. James, Hampton and Sons (Arlington-street) report the sale of the Bonningtons Estate, Hunsdon, near Ware. The early 18th century residence is approached by a long drive, and in the grounds is a seven-acre lake.

There are also two lodges, two cottages and a farm with home-stead and buildings. The whole extends to about 370 acres. John D. Wood and Co. (Berkeley-square), were associated in the sale.

By direction of Sir Ernest Canring, the freehold grazing or dairy all-pasture holding known as Horse Farm, at Muchelney, within 1½ miles of the market town of Longport, was put up locally this week by F. L. Hunt and Sons (Langport, Tipton and Taunton).

The property, which consists of a farmhouse, two cottages and ample farm buildings, and 142 acres of pasture and orchard land, was sold under the hammer for £5,000.

Through their Cirencester office, Jackson Staps and Staff (Curzon-street) have found a buyer for Calcott Farm, Cricklade, Wiltshire, on behalf of Mr. Freeth. The stone-built residence, of medium size, is situated on the main Swindon-Cricklade road, about a mile from Cricklade. The grounds are well laid out, and there is a well-stocked, vegetable garden.

DIRECTOR'S ESTATE

Estate valued at £35,914 (n.p. £35,042) was left by Mr. Frederick C. Tilley, Dursley Dean Hotel, Bournemouth, managing director of Tilley Bros. Ltd., Hendon, chairman of Peebles and Co. Ltd., and the Tilley Lamp Company. Subject to various legacies, he gave the property between his children.

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"You wouldn't lead me up the garden, Timothy?"

"Peter, you wrong me. I've seen the light and I'm passing on the tip."

"Then, if you will kindly step ashore, we will seek out a vendor of Rose's. It's time I fell into good habits."

Women's War Work

LOYAL RESPONSE IN ALL PARTS OF THE EMPIRE

LONDON, Oct. 25 (Reuter).—Letters received in this country indicate how women in the British Empire have taken up war work.

In Sydney, women organised First Aid and A. R. P. Lectures within a few days and have started knitting and sewing.

In Vancouver similar work is being done with materials provided by the Canadian Government.

In Natal, a handful of residents collected £50 within a few days and formed a Women's League. They are raising funds for the Red Cross and making up hampers for the troops.

NEWSETTES

Convicted of stealing six chickens and nine pigeons from No. 105, Waterloo Road, the home of Mrs. R. Richardson, a man named Chung Kwok-on, 32, was sentenced to six weeks' hard labour by Mr. E. Humsforth, at the Kowloon Court yesterday.

Bail of \$25 was estreated by order of Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen, at the Kowloon Court yesterday, when John Smith, 30, an engineer staying at the Seaman's Institute, failed to appear on a charge of behaving in a disorderly manner in Nathan Road on Tuesday night.

A fine of \$20 was imposed by Mr. E. Humsforth, at the Kowloon Court yesterday, on Link Ping-yan, 55, who was convicted of having anchored his sampan, with a cargo of 40 tins of kerosene on board, in Shaikwan Harbour, which is not a dangerous goods anchorage.

His Majesty the King has sent a special donation of £100 to the 1939 Poppy Day Appeal Fund for the British Legion. It is likely that troops in France will be wearing poppies on November 11. Enquiry has been made by General Headquarters of the British Expeditionary Force as to the possibilities of arranging for sales of poppies to officers and other ranks. (BWS).

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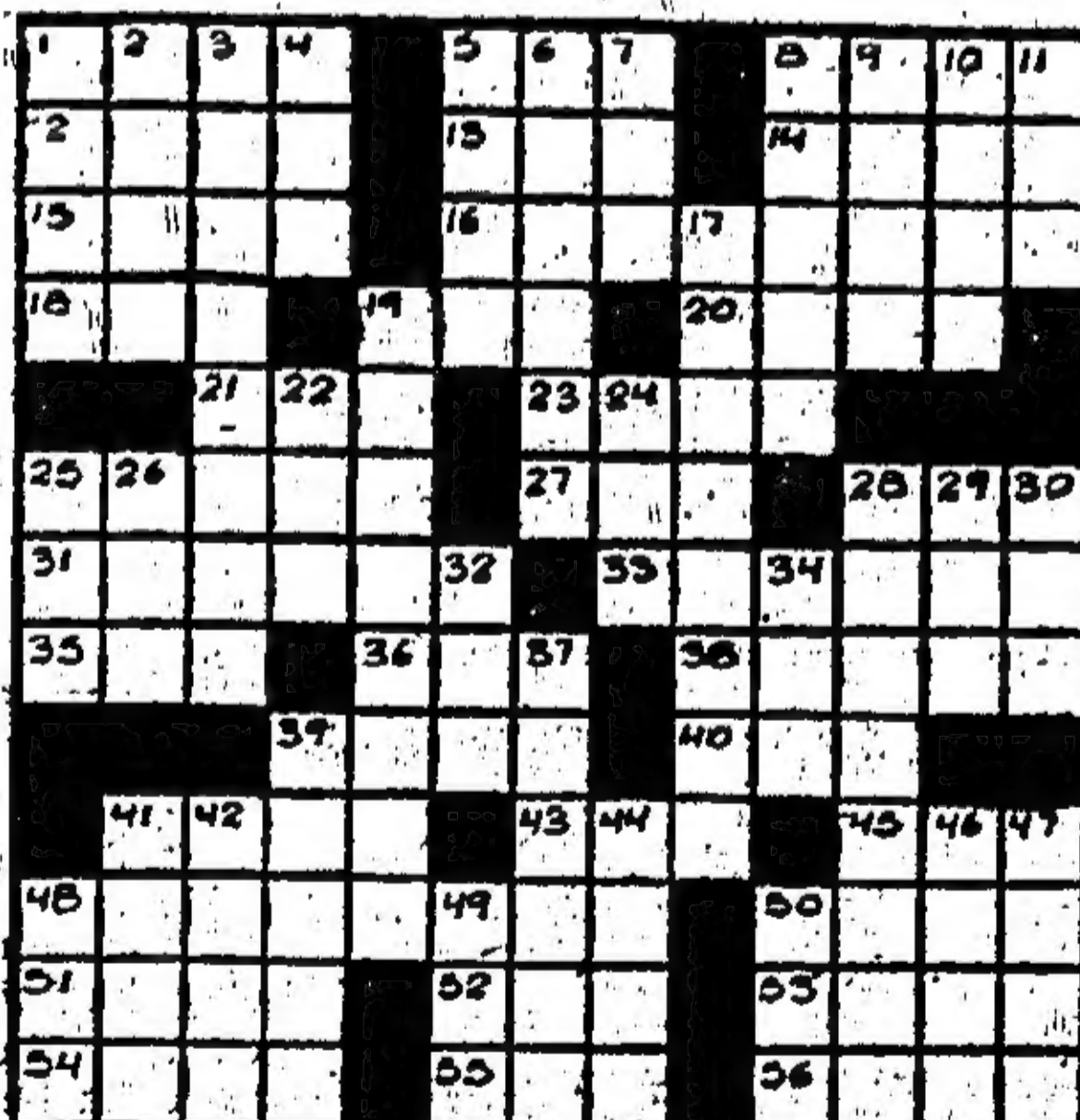
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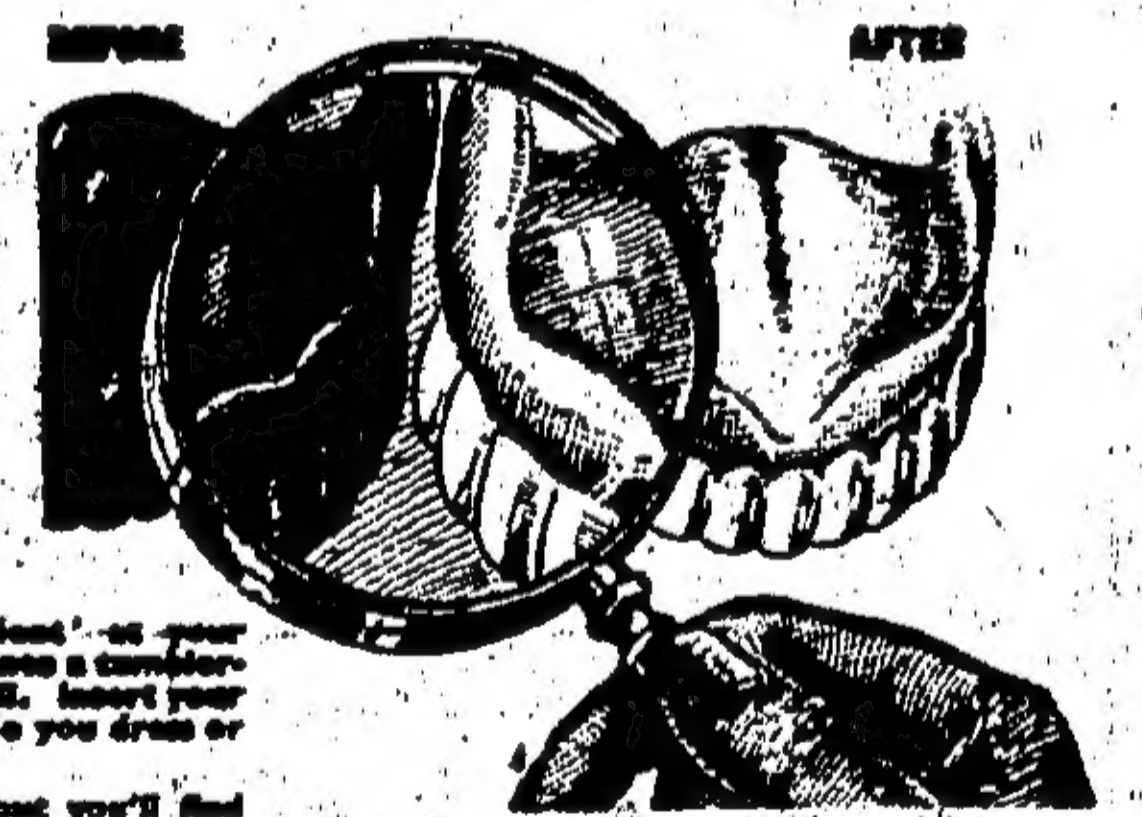
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RUSSIAN MINE BOSS ON MANSLAUGHTER CHARGE

Alleged Assault Unlawful & Against Company Orders

The trial of Victor Shamraeff, 24-year-old Russian mine boss employed by the Hongkong Mines, Ltd. at Linnahang, New Territories, on a charge of manslaughter of a mine coolie named Ip Mau-wong on September 9, commenced at the Criminal Sessions yesterday before the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor.

Shamraeff, who is on \$1,000 bail and is defended by the Hon. Mr. Leo D'Almada e Castro Jnr., instructed by Mr. P. Wynter-Blyth, is alleged to have struck the coolie on the face for not being at his post, causing the latter to fall and sustain a ruptured spleen from which he later died.

The following comprised the jury: Messrs. E. R. Cuthbert (foreman), J. H. Xavier, J. D. Chin, E. Christensen, A. A. Silva, H. S. Advan and H. T. R. Liang.

Mr. J. B. Prentis, Assistant Crown Solicitor, who prosecuted, said that Ip died as the result of an assault which occurred at the mine about 11.30 p.m. on September 9. Ip was employed as a driller, but on the night in question there was no drilling to be done and he was given other work.

About 11 p.m., defendant noticed some men absent and asked one, Chan Tung, to ascertain their whereabouts. Tseng came back and reported that they were at the bottom of the ladder.

DECEASED SLAPPED

Defendant and Chan then went down, when defendant struck one of the men a light blow on the buttock and then slapped the others' faces, including deceased's. Ip fell face downwards to the ground, and lay there until the arrival of a Mr. Stewart. It was found that Ip was unable to get up.

Stewart sent for defendant and inquired what had been happening, and Shamraeff replied: "The swine attacked me and I hit him."

The injured man was removed and the mines doctor gave him an injection, but he died soon afterwards.

Mr. Prentis said that Ip was perfectly healthy. The assault was unlawful, and, moreover, strict orders had been issued by the company that the European employees were not to strike the coolies.

BRUISES ON LIP

Dr. A. D. Wong, mines doctor, said he met deceased on a stretcher. A quick examination showed bruises on the lip and above the nose. Artificial respiration was applied, and later an injection was given, but the man died.

Dr. H. H. Tai gave evidence of post-mortem. Cause of death, he said, was a ruptured spleen and haemorrhage. He said that the spleen was three times its natural size, and agreed in cross-examination that this enlargement probably had a malarial origin.

Hearing was then adjourned till 10 a.m. to-day.



Lieut. J. G. Whittaker, R.A., and his bride, formerly Miss Wendy W. Willcocks, after their marriage at St. John's Cathedral yesterday afternoon. The bride is the daughter of Major J. L. Willcocks, D.S.O., M.C., Commissioner of Prisons.

ARTILLERY OFFICER MARRIED

LT. J. G. WHITTAKER & MISS WILLCOCKS

At St. John's Cathedral yesterday afternoon, the Very Rev. J. L. Wilson officiating, the wedding took place between Lieutenant John Gordon Whittaker, of the Royal Artillery, and Miss Wendy Willcocks, daughter of Major J. L. Willcocks, D.S.O., M.C., Commissioner of Prisons, and Mrs. J. L. Willcocks.

His Excellency the Governor was represented at the ceremony by his Aide-de-Camp, Capt. S. H. Batty-Smith.

The bride, who was given away by her father, wore a dress of ivory and gold brocade with train cut in one with the dress. She also had an ivory tulle veil and gold halo and her bouquet was of white gladioli.

Mrs. Willcocks attended in a dress of pastel pink lace over a foundation of black.

Following the ceremony a reception was held at the Hongkong Club Annex after which the happy couple left for their honeymoon at Fanling. Mrs. Whittaker's going-away costume being of ash blue crepe, ash blue hat trimmed with cyclamen ostrich feather, and grey accessories.

PRAYA ROBBERY RELATED

Six Men Charged At Central

The story of the robbery at a money remittance shop in Connaught Road Central, on October 8, when the master was robbed of \$3,450 Hongkong currency, \$2,250 Chinese currency, and U.S.\$45 and a quantity of jewellery, was told by Det.-Insp. A. L. Hopkins before Mr. T. J. Houston at the Central Court yesterday, when committal proceedings were commenced against six men.

Insp. Hopkins said that on the day in question, five men entered the second floor of No. 49, Connaught Road Central, at 1.30 p.m. on the pretext of remitting a sum of money through the shop. The master, who happened to be away at the time was called back by a boy. As soon as the master entered, the robbers covered him and the other inmates with revolvers. They were then pushed into the rear cubicle and were bound and gagged.

MEN ARRESTED

The intruders remained for about 10 minutes, and escaped with about \$5,800. The master managed to free himself and raised an alarm. Later, on information received, six persons were arrested. They were Lau Ping, 31, Wong Hoi, 34, Wong Kai, 42, Ting Hing, 34, boatman, Tsang Yung, 33, house-boy, and Chan Po, 50, who were charged with having conspired to rob Tsang Hing-wei, master of the Lung Yuen Remittance Agency, whilst Tsang Hing-wei and Wong Kai were further charged with having robbed Tsang of the money and jewellery.

After evidence was heard, the hearing was adjourned until to-day at 2.30 p.m.

ESCAPE ATTEMPT

A prisoner made a daring attempt to escape from the Remand Cells at the Central Police Station yesterday morning but was captured in Wyndham Street after his pursuers were able to arrest him because he had tripped over a gutter.

CONSPIRACY CASE PROCEEDING

Court Hears Evidence For Defence

The case in which three women, Cheng Yin-fan, Ho Suet-ying, and Chan Fong, who are charged with conspiracy to obtain \$198 from Shek Chi, merchant, by representing that they were in a position to obtain a flat in Queen's Road Central, was adjourned to 11.30 a.m. this morning, after evidence was given by first and second defendants before Mr. R. Edwards at the Central Magistracy yesterday.

Mr. F. I. Zimmerman represented Ho and Chan Fong.

NOT WELL ACQUAINTED

At yesterday's hearing, Chan Fong, said she was not well acquainted with the first defendant, Cheng Yin-fan. During the first period of her acquaintanceship, Cheng used to visit her once in a while, but later came more often.

On one occasion Cheng asked her if she wished to earn some money, in connection with the flat. She said Cheng told her that the rent of the flat was \$30 which is a cheap rental, and would give it away for the sum of \$80 as shoe-money.

Cheng, said witness, asked her to help by taking interested people to inspect the flat. Witness stated that she was also asked to act as rent collector. She, at first refused, but after being convinced that she was merely to claim herself as rent collector, she agreed. Cheng also told her that the true collector did not wish to earn the shoe money.

COUSIN OF LANDLORD

The following day, Chan continued, Cheng told her of a prospective occupier of the flat, who was waiting at the On Luk Yuen Cafe. Cheng then gave instruction to witness to claim herself to be the cousin of the landlord. She was also instructed to take the man to inspect the flat.

Ho Suet-ying also gave evidence.

GREAT ACHIEVEMENTS OF SCHOOL FOR DEAF

Remarkable Demonstrations On Graduation Day

Remarkable demonstrations of skill, endurance and great achievements were given before a large and sympathetic audience, when the students of the Hongkong School for the Deaf held their graduation day at the Heap Yunn School, Kowloon, yesterday.

Madame C. C. Wu distributed the prizes to the graduates.

Miss Lee Luk-wah, Headmistress of the School, in presenting her report, spoke of the activities of the students and their progress.

"During the year the number of pupils has increased. There were 37 pupils last term, 30 boarders and seven day scholars, one child of five from the Po Leung Kok and two from Ma Tau Chung Refugee Camp.

"Many of the parents have begun to realise the value of sending their children at an early age, so the lower forms are much larger than the upper. We are glad to say that we always receive satisfactory reports from parents saying how much their children have changed since they came to us."

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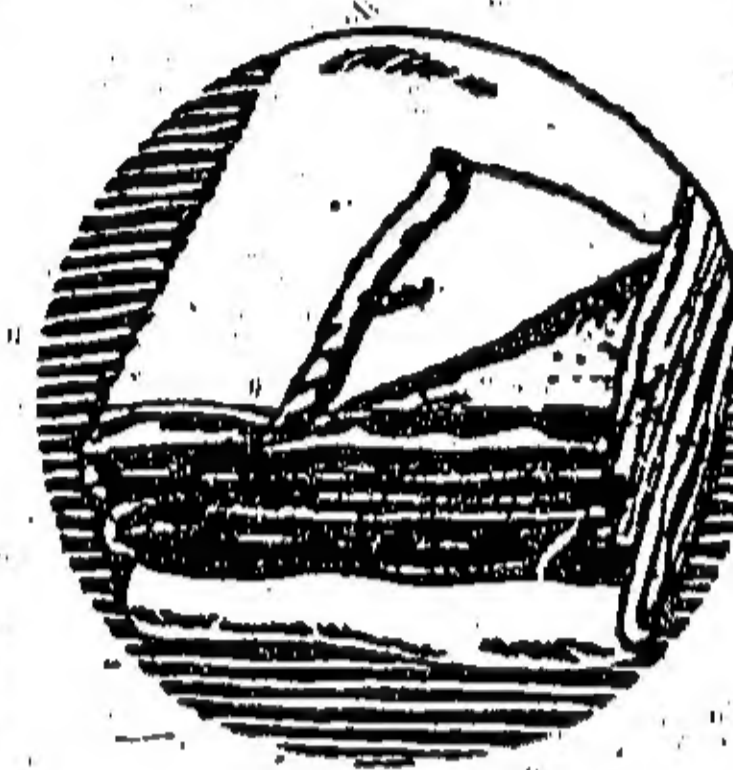
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COLONY HEALTH BULLETIN

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FIRING PRACTICE

Light gun anti-aircraft practice will be carried out between the hours of 9 a.m. and 2 p.m. to-day. Firing Area 'B' will be affected.

Mr. C. R. Attlee visited the King on Tuesday. This was the first time during war that the King has received the Leader of the Opposition and it was arranged in order that the King should maintain personal contact with the Opposition.—(BWS).

President Madison Sold To Philippine Interests

The United States District Court of Seattle has approved the sale of the trans-Pacific liner President Madison to Philippine interests for 700,000 pesos. This sale must be approved by the Federal Maritime Commission before it becomes final. The creditors of the American Mail Line, which went into receivership about a year-and-a-half ago, have already agreed to the sale, according to advice from Manila.

SUMMARY COURT HEARING

Agreement Reached

In an action brought in the Summary Court yesterday before Mr. Justice R. E. Lindsell by the Hongkong Trust Corporation, claiming possession of No. 10 Village Road, second floor, from Mr. K. T. Pau, Mr. P. Wynter-Blyth, for the plaintiffs, said that an agreement had been reached and the only point to consider was the fixing of a fair and reasonable rent by the court.

Following evidence, His Lordship held that \$33.85, including water charges, was a fair rent.

Mr. W. M. Brown appeared for the defendant.

DID NOT REPORT DEPARTURE

Mrs. Bluma, Osipovna Litvin, residing at No. 8, Salisbury Avenue, was summoned before Mr. R. A. D. Forrest at the Central Magistracy yesterday, for failing to report her departure from the Colony on February 28.

Defendant said she had applied for a visa from the passport office, which she thought was enough. She was fined \$5.

Miss Ruth Litvin, daughter of defendant, was similarly fined.

It is estimated that 500,000 pesos will be needed to put the President Madison in good condition, so that the liner will cost the new owners approximately 1,200,000 pesos.

It is understood that a new shipping company will be formed and will be known as the Philippine President Lines. It is proposed to change the name of the President Madison to President Quezon. If the new venture proves successful, more ships will be added to the line.

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Imperial Airways

WEDNESDAY, 7 A.M., Captain J. N. Wilson departed from Kai Tak for Bangkok, commanding the southbound mid-week Imperial Airways plane.

Mr. J. W. Hick went flying down to Calcutta.

Returning to his base in Singapore was Mr. N. MacMillan, Imperial Airways' Section Engineer, after inspection at Kai Tak.

Mr. P. B. Advani, a Clipper passenger, returns home to Calcutta after a flying tour round the world.

Air France

WEDNESDAY, 11 A.M., the weekly service of Air France called at Kai Tak. The stopover was indeed a "hello and goodbye," the plane departing half-an-hour later for Hanol. Several Chinese passengers arrived and departed on this service but their names were not divulged.

Pan American Airways

CAPTAIN H. J. HAMILTON put the Philippine Clipper down at Kai Tak (Kowloon Bay) at 2 p.m. on Wednesday. The flight from San Francisco via Honolulu and Manila, was one of the best, all hands reported.

Three sad and tearful little girls, Misses Fok Man Keung, Fok Man How and Fok Wong Yew hastened home from San Francisco due to the recent death of their well-known father, Mr. Fok Ching-ting. The young ladies had been studying in the west coast American city when they received the sad news by Clipper. After a short visit here it is expected they will

return to San Francisco and continue their education. Miss M. H. Wadia, of Bombay, has been having a wonderful time seeing the world. Her trip is mainly pleasure and she is taking a keen interest in other countries and their people. Quite air-minded is this traveller as she expects to leave on Sunday by Imperial Airways for her home in India.

Business brings Mr. G. W. Greene, Manila manager of Payne and Co., to Hongkong—and, of course, being the modern businessman travelled by Clipper for his call.

Back home after a week of business conferences and a bit of the Manila hospitality came Mr. Luciano Roche, executive of Standard Vacuum Oil Company's local office. The attractive Mrs. Roche was on hand to give him a warm reception.

To Hongkong from Manila journeyed Miss R. Perez by Pan American Airways. This prominent Filipino resident of the south is here to attend the wedding of her niece. Indeed she appeared more excited about the coming event than the Clipper's journey.

Mr. A. A. Bouwens, executive of Wise and Co. in Manila, and Mr. Kok Nro and Mr. Wat Ngo, also businessmen from the south, come on business calls in Hongkong. Their stay here will be brief and they will return to Manila.

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Full Official Account Given Of Chinese Victories In Hunan

CHUNGKING, Oct. 23—Chinese victories in north Hunan were attributed to three main reasons by a Chinese military spokesman here. They are: the three Japanese columns operating from Kiangsi and Hunan were kept isolated by the defenders; all the highways and communication lines were cut by the Chinese, and the people offered splendid co-operation to the Chinese forces.

It had been the intention of the Japanese to maintain a line from Nanchang to Changsha right through the two provinces. However, the Japanese units at Hsiangshui, Pingkiang and points west of Pingkiang were prevented by the Chinese from joining forces. Meanwhile the destruction of highways prevented the Japanese from using heavy weapons and gas, thereby weakening their attacking power.

Japanese losses in the campaign were estimated by the spokesman to be over 30,000, and those of the Chinese over 20,000. The Japanese suffered unusually heavy losses because the battles were fought in hilly regions and since heavy weapons could not be brought into and around Changsha, which in-

JUNCTION FOILED

Seeing the danger of a possible junction of the Japanese units operating from Kiangsi, south of Hubei and north Hunan, the Chinese made a determined attack on the Japanese forces at Peach Tree Inlet and Longevity Street. In the latter place the Japanese relied mostly on light pieces as did the Chinese.

180,000 JAPANESE

In their campaign, the Japanese actually marshalled a force over 180,000 strong. In Kiangsi were the 101st and 106th divisions, while in south Hubei and north Hunan were the 33rd, 8th, divisions, one brigade of the 13th division and another brigade of the 3rd division. On top of these troops, two heavy artillery units, a tank unit, an engineer corps and a transportation corps were thrown into the field.

Although fighting first broke out in Kiangsi, the real objective of the Japanese was Changsha. With the two Japanese divisions in Kiangsi moving westward in the direction of Hunan, the Japanese 33rd Division moved down from the Hankow-Changsha highway to points bordering Hunan and Hubei provinces, while the 8th Division pushed southward along the Yochow-Changsha railway. In between the two columns, the brigade of the 13th Division kept pace with them. The brigade of the 3rd Division came down by way of Tungting Lake.

CROSSING PREVENTED

Stubborn resistance prevented the Japanese from crossing the Hsinchiang River, but the landing of Japanese marines at a point on the Tungting shore south of the river outflanked the Chinese, compelling the latter to withdraw. One of the severest engagements broke out in regions between Hsinchiang and Milo rivers between September 24 and September 25. While the battles were still raging, a Japanese regiment landed at Yingtien, south of Milo River, thereby again outflanking the Chinese units along the river. Instead of falling back the Chinese withdrew eastward. Such a

SIR ED. WILSHAW JOINS MINISTRY OF INFORMATION

Sir Edward Wilshaw, K.C.M.G., Chairman of Cable & Wireless Ltd., has accepted an invitation from Government to join the Ministry of Information, Advisor Council, which he is now attending in an honorary capacity.

CORRESPONDENCE

OLD SOLDIERS NEVER DIE.....

[To the Editor, the "Hongkong Daily Press"]

Dear Serventium:—Please accept my sympathy on the latest indignity you are to be subjected to, that of having your civilian garb privilege stopped. In my day a soldier was not allowed the freedom of the press to air his views.

You are I take it a service man, and not such an old one at that or else you would have thought a little longer before committing your subject to print. The withdrawal of civilian clothes is just and proper time of war, such a privilege was unknown during the last war, you being a small child at the time would not know this thing.

Ask any genuine old soldier how many Cabaret shows he could attend on his One Shilling a day! I think that I am correct in saying that one pay's One Dollar for three tickets or three dances, and that each dance lasts about two minutes, J. Q. One shilling and three-pence for six minutes? Is that your idea of prohibitive prices or does your rate of pay cover such trivial amounts? I bet the rate payer would get a kick out of watching you pay Fifteen Dollars an hour to dance.

Take away the trimmings and your letter comes to one thing, i.e. Once in uniform you will be unable to attend your particular Cabaret show to trifle away whatever you collect in the way of cash. The profound truth has not yet occurred to you, that is that you should consider yourself a very lucky person to be stationed in such a safe place as Hongkong whilst your less fortunate brothers are actively engaged. As regards the behaviour of the service man, is it not a fact that he makes a rod for his own back by his actions in public, and when called to task, complains that he is looked down on a slighted because he is a service man? The trouble is that you have too much time to kill and too many liberties, your counterpart in the last war was a whole time soldier not part time soldier and part time G.I. (I would appreciate it if you would read Philip Gibbs' "Realities of War" and having digested it thank the powers that be that you are still in a safe place, and not on the western front. There is no truth in the rumour that Dance Hostesses are to be conscripted for service in France, an oversight no doubt on the part of the authorities.

EX-SERVITIUM

"MOST STUPID"

[To the Editor, the "Hongkong Daily Press"]

Sir—Your correspondent "Servitium" is clearly a serviceman—and a grouser. No one with two eyes in his head would dispute the fact that the English civil population of Hongkong is the most stupid and class conscious mob in the world. "Servitium" would like to take his pleasures in "better environments" among them. Well, why not?

The only thing that prevents him being one of them is that he, no doubt, serves in the ranks. He should apply for a commission and will thus become eligible for entry to the best places and have his photograph in the Supplement to the "Sunday Herald."

If he is a sensible man, and I'm sure he is not, he will spend his money in those restaurants and bars who cater for the Services; he'll find better company, and it is much cheaper.

FOUR-ALB-BAR

movement was also executed in the Japanese losses on them. At Peach Tree Inlet alone, more than 3,000 Japanese dead were buried by the Chinese, while at Longevity Street, more than 2,000 Japanese lay dead.

The situation was further made worse for the Japanese when their units from Kiangsi failed to keep pace with other units from south Hubei and north Hunan. Thus the three Japanese columns were kept isolated by the defenders. In view of the situation, the column coming down from Tungting along the Hankow-Changsha highway which was defeated at Peach Tree Inlet and Longevity Street, moved eastward to Hsiangshui, hoping to drive southward in conjunction with the units operating in Kiangsi. Spirited Chinese resistance in Kiangsi foiled the Japanese scheme.

ENEMY LINE CRUMBLES

Returning to the Hunan front, the spokesman said as a result of

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"WAR WAS IMPOSED ON GERMANY!"

GERMAN FOREIGN RAILS AGAINST PRIME MINISTER

Hitler's Historic Peace Offer Misunderstood, Says Ribbentrop

DANZIG, Oct. 25 (Reuter)—In a speech to a big demonstration here last night, which was broadcast by all German stations and then sent out to the world in many foreign translations, Herr von Ribbentrop, Nazi Foreign Minister, stated that Danzig would never again be separated from the Reich.

Referring to what he described as the attempt to make Danzig and the Reich responsible for the present state of war, Herr von Ribbentrop declared: "This war has, in the truest sense of the word, been imposed on Germany."

Herr von Ribbentrop proceeded to deal with the German-Polish negotiations regarding Danzig.

He declared: "The astonishing attitude of Poland to Herr Hitler's magnificent and unrepeatable offer seemed remarkable to me. To-day we have an answer to the riddle—England was behind it."

"We know to-day that already, at that time, negotiations for a guarantee were on foot with England."

Herr von Ribbentrop added that the German Government must make the Polish Government fully responsible for those events and for the highly suspicious development in their relations.

POLISH COLLAPSE

Referring to the collapse of the Polish State, Herr von Ribbentrop said: "Now Germany will see to it that redistribution, justified by real conditions, is carried out and that real appeasement takes place. Now Soviet Russia and the Great German Reich will guarantee for the whole future of the maintenance of quiet order and peace in East Europe."

SOVIET-GERMAN FACT

Recalling Herr Hitler's efforts towards Anglo-German reconciliation, Herr von Ribbentrop declared again and again that Britain had adopted an unbecoming attitude and that Herr Hitler only abandoned his efforts when he was forced to recognize that Britain did not want to negotiate.

Herr von Ribbentrop declared that the conclusion of the German-Russian Pact put Germany's foreign policy on a new basis. Traditional German-Soviet friendly relations were restored and there existed all the necessary conditions for deepening this friendship. By far-reaching agreements, the exchange of raw materials and industrial products between Germany and the Soviet was already operating, would increase yearly and they would reach the highest point in turnover shortly. Territorial divergence between the two states was out of the question for ever.

RELATIONS WITH U.S.

Regarding Germany's relations with the United States, there could not be any divergence at all with that country. Germany had absolutely no interests on the American continent, except for the greatest possible trade with all the states on that continent.

But, while Germany always respected the Monroe Doctrine, the existence of many British colonies, possessions, coaling-stations, naval bases, etc., on the American Continent signified a breach of this doctrine and could bring Britain into violent conflict with it.

WAR GUILT

Referring to the question of war guilt, Herr von Ribbentrop said that among the whole world of public opinion, there was not the slightest doubt that the French people did not want this war; would rather have peace to-day than to-morrow and that war had been imposed on them by Britain by negotiations in Paris and with the French Government.

Herr von Ribbentrop added that he could prove, beyond all doubt, that this war against Germany had been systematically and secretly prepared for years by the present British Government.

"Mr. Chamberlain did not come to Munich in order to present war, but to postpone the war that the British Government had decided upon," he said.

The British assertion that Germany aimed at world domination

was ridiculous and impudent and Britain's foreign policy was unscrupulous. By slandering Herr Hitler, the British want to alienate the German people from their leader, but the German people would not tolerate any impudent insinuations, he declared.

MISGUIDED POLICY

By declaring war on Germany, Mr. Chamberlain had broken his agreement with Herr Hitler that Britain and Germany would never war with each other.

"Mr. Chamberlain did not understand Herr Hitler's historic peace offer."

Misguided by his policy, Mr. Chamberlain took it as a sign weakness, said Herr von Ribbentrop, and concluded: "We shall never make peace until there and guarantees that such an attack against the German people is once and for all excluded."

BERLIN CONFERENCE: REPORTS DENIED

BERLIN, Oct. 25 (Reuter)—The German Official News Agency declares that political circles deny reports that a discussion of decisive importance concerning the international situation had taken place between the Reichs Fuhrer and Herr von Ribbentrop in the last few days and adds that the statement that special reports were called for and received from the Ambassadors does not correspond with the facts.

The same applies to the news abroad concerning the alleged War Council and adds: "The German attitude, in consequence of Mr. Chamberlain's rejection of the German peace offer, is well-known. Germany sees no reason for making a new peace move."

EXTRAORDINARY TIRADE

LONDON, Oct. 25 (EWS)—Although delivered too late for general comment in the morning newspapers, Herr von Ribbentrop's speech is reproduced with headlines which indicate their views on what is described as an extraordinary tirade against Britain which, says the "DAILY TELEGRAPH," completely travestied the events leading to the Allied declaration of war.

"THE TIMES" characterises as fantastic the charges that the war was prepared by Britain.

The "NEWS-CHRONICLE" under the heading, "Mixture as Before," says the speech was calculated to have the greatest effects inside Germany where there are fewer facilities for checking historical facts. "Nothing that Ribbentrop said weakens the main count against the Nazis, that, in pursuance of their mad ambitions, they sabotaged all hope of peaceful settlement and time after time resorted to aggression in breach of their pledged word. Nothing in the speech can alter the determination of the Allies to redress the wrongs which the Nazis have done and to free Europe from a recurring threat of arbitrary and unscrupulous attack."

The "DAILY MAIL" says, "The truth is through more sharply into relief against the background of Nazi falsehood. British White Papers are sufficient answer to the absurd charge that this country worked systematically for war with Germany and that we signed the Munich Agreement because we had not rearmament. Ribbentrop repeats the clumsy manoeuvre of trying to separate Britain and France. Let M. Daladier speak for the democracies."

Germany's conquests were but stages on the road which would have led France and Europe to direct slavery."

MINISTER BRITAINS

INDIA'S DOMINION STATUS DEMAND

BOMBAY, Oct. 25 (Reuter)—In a statement yesterday, Mr. Gandhi said that although the Viceroy's recent declaration concerning the future of India's constitution was "undoubtedly deplorable," it is not irrevocable.

The Congress Working Committee's resolution calling on all Ministers to resign leaves the door open, he said, for satisfying the Nation's demand for Dominion Status.

War Supplies For France From U.S.

ORDERS FOR MOTOR LORRIES

WASHINGTON, Oct. 25 (Reuter)—The French Government has placed orders for between 1,500 and 2,000 motor lorries (trucks) with an American firm.

The French Ambassador in Washington said yesterday that France is already buying large quantities of blankets, shoes, etc., for the Army and is prepared to pay cash.

Later, he said the French Government might buy horses. He indicated that big orders for war supplies would be placed if the Arms Embargo was repealed.

Shipping Amendment To Neutrality Bill Approved: Embargo Measure To Be Debated

SEIZURE OF CITY OF FLINT MIGHT EFFECT VOTING

WASHINGTON, Oct. 25 (Reuter)—The U.S. Senate has refused to apply the Parliamentary guillotine to the Embargo Debate. The measure will now be thrashed out by its opponents.

The Isolationist Group, headed by Senator Johnson, were expected to meet yesterday to reconsider the decision.

SENATE APPROVAL

A later message stated that the Senate approved the amendment to the Neutrality Bill to lift the drastic restrictions on United States shipping, except in the North Atlantic danger zones. The amendment would permit American vessels to carry any materials, except to belligerent ports, in the South Atlantic, Pacific and Indian Oceans, the China, Tasman and Arabian Seas, the Bay of Bengal, Bermuda, New Brunswick and Nova Scotia.

The Senate also approved an amendment permitting island commerce with Canada and Mexico to continue normally without requiring purchasers to obtain a title to supplies before they are transported across the border.

The Senate also accepted a proposal deleting the clause permitting belligerents to obtain ninety-day credits.

CITY OF FLINT

Commenting on the seizure of the City of Flint, Senator Connally reminded the Senate that the shipping restrictions in the proposed Neutrality Bill would prevent the recurrence of such cases.

Mr. T. C. Hennings, Member of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, expressed the belief that the seizure of the City of Flint would lose a few votes for the embargo in the House.

VOTE ON FRIDAY

WASHINGTON, Oct. 25 (Reuter)—Leaders of the United States Senate have informed President Roosevelt that the Neutrality Bill will probably be passed by Friday. It is thought that it will be approved by a majority of two to one. Under the proposed bill, the United States will be able to sell any war materials to those countries which can pay and take them away in their own ships.

WESTERN FRONT:

Nazis Send Out Wave After Wave Of Men

Determined Attack On Village

FRENCH TROOPS NOT DISLODGED

PARIS, Oct. 25 (REUTER)—REPORTS RECEIVED HERE INDICATE THAT THE FRENCH WERE SUCCESSFUL IN A DARING RAID EAST OF MOSELLE AND WERE ALSO SUCCESSFUL IN THE SAARBRUECKEN REGION, NORTH OF FORBACH.

West of Forbach, in the Varndt Forest, the Germans launched a determined attack against a village held by the French. Wave after wave of men were sent forward, but when the attack ended the village was still in French hands.

PARIS, Oct. 25 (Reuter)—A War Communique states that during the latter part of Monday night and yesterday there were raids and ambushes at several points and fairly sharp engagements towards the south-eastern border of the Forest of Varndt, where one of our posts, attacked by the enemy, were relieved by a counter-attack launched immediately.

Patrols Active In Saar Region

PARIS, Oct. 25 (Reuter)—A war communique states: "The night was quiet on the whole. There was activity by patrols and artillery in the region to the west of the Saar."

ANOTHER NAZI EMDEN ON PROWL? CITY OF FLINT CAPTURE

U-Boat Commander's Ruthless Order

LONDON, Oct. 25 (Reuter)—Norwegian despatches reveal that the American vessel City of Flint was captured by the German cruiser Emden. Germany is known to have one or two armed merchantmen operating as sea-raiders, but this is the first indication that one of her warships have been on the high seas.

NAZI ORDER

The U-Boat commander who sank the Yorkshire ordered the Captain of the Independence Hall to leave 100 British soldiers and airmen to drown, according to the "Daily Express." These servicemen were being invalided from India and the Far East.

The American Captain, however, ignored the orders and most of the men were saved, with their wives and families in the darkness.

The survivors declare that the crew of the Independence Hall was incensed at the ruthlessness of the German order. The Captain saw red and a member of the crew shouted: "I'll get in this war within a week and we'll sweep these so-and-soes off the sea."

THREAT ABANDONED

The Isolationist leaders yesterday agreed to abandon their threat to talk out the Bill and speeches on the Bill and its amendment will now be limited to forty-five minutes.

Should the Bill be passed by Friday, as expected, the House of Representatives will probably begin the debate on the Bill on Monday.

300-MILE LIMIT

The proposed amendment that American ships should keep 300 miles away from Europe when proceeding to neutral countries was rejected by 71 to 18 votes.

The approved amendments also include one that inland commerce with Canada and Mexico will continue normally.

New Balkan Problem?

ITALIAN DOUBTS ON PEACE VALUE OF NEW PACT

ROME, Oct. 25 (Reuter)—Doubts as to whether the Turkish Agreement is an instrument of peace are expressed by Signor Gayda, writing in the "Giornale d'Italia."

He recalls that the Pact in its origin, was based on the "Franco-British policy of encirclement" and aimed at preventing Italian expansion in the Mediterranean.

Signor Gayda says that the fact that, despite this treaty, Turkey continues to belong to the Balkan Entente raises new problems for the Balkan system.

"ESSENTIAL POINT"

The newspaper reaffirms that following the union of Albania and Italy, the latter's policy extends to the heart of the Balkans and adds "that is the essential point."

"Some newspapers seek to cloak facts in hazy pictures of an idyllic lovers' meetings, but Italy turns a deaf ear to serenades. On the contrary, she will continue to watch the sequence of events with a very sharp eye."

NORWAY BUYS U.S. AND BRITISH PLANES

OSLO, Oct. 25 (Reuter)—Norway has doubled her order placed last August for twelve American fighter planes.

Six on order from Britain are expected to arrive in Norway shortly. The British firm has promised to deliver them within the time stipulated in the contract.

THE TALLER THE LIE

LONDON, Oct. 25 (Reuter)—Semi-official circles here, commenting on the "Voelkischer Beobachter's" complaint that different yardsticks are used by Nordic countries when assessing the relative value of Allied and German news reports say: "The 'Voelkischer Beobachter' seems to forget that the taller lie, the longer the yardstick!"



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JAPANESE CLOSE SCHOOL IN DESPAIR

Chinese Children's Patriotism

FANCHENG, HUPEH, Oct. 25 (Central)—A Japanese language school at Machang, a town in north-east Hupeh, near the Homan border, about 87 miles north-east of Hankow, was dissolved on Oct. 20 as a result of the refusal of the Chinese children to shout slogans denouncing their national leaders.

The pupils all remained silent when a Japanese teacher led them to shout the slogans. When they were forced to, they suddenly burst out with "Down with the Japanese!" In despair the Japanese closed down the school.

WATER POLICEMAN SENTENCED

Fung Chun-keung, 36, seaman, was sentenced to three months' hard labour when he was convicted by Mr. Q. A. Macrae at Kowloon Court yesterday on a charge of misconduct as a police officer. It was alleged he had demanded 50 cents from a junk master at Choi Ian Wharf, Yau-mat, on October 19. A second defendant, Lam Y. 35, seaman No. 128, was discharged.

FRENCH CONFIDENCE IN ITALY

LONDON, Oct. 25 (Reuter)—The French wireless announces that black-out will cease in the French districts along the Franco-Italian border. This, the announcer said, shows the confidence in Italy's neutrality.



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THE REAL ISSUE

When Nations Fight For Justice

The grim reality of war forces us to consider those greater realities which lie behind all human life. If Justice and Truth are mere words, human life is in no real sense worth the living. If they are more than that, they are the supreme realities for which no price that man can pay would be too high, writes the Dean of Durham.

This is a faith held by all men of honour, even by those who do not share the Christian assurance that there is a "Judge of all the earth." Who cares for that which is right, whose righteous will must in the end prevail, and who will reward those who suffer for its sake.

We believe, using such powers of judgment as God has given us, that it is such a cause for which we may be called to fight at any moment, and we are confident, as never before, that we seek no selfish ends; we know that our Government has striven to the last to secure a peaceful and honourable settlement of the matters in dispute.

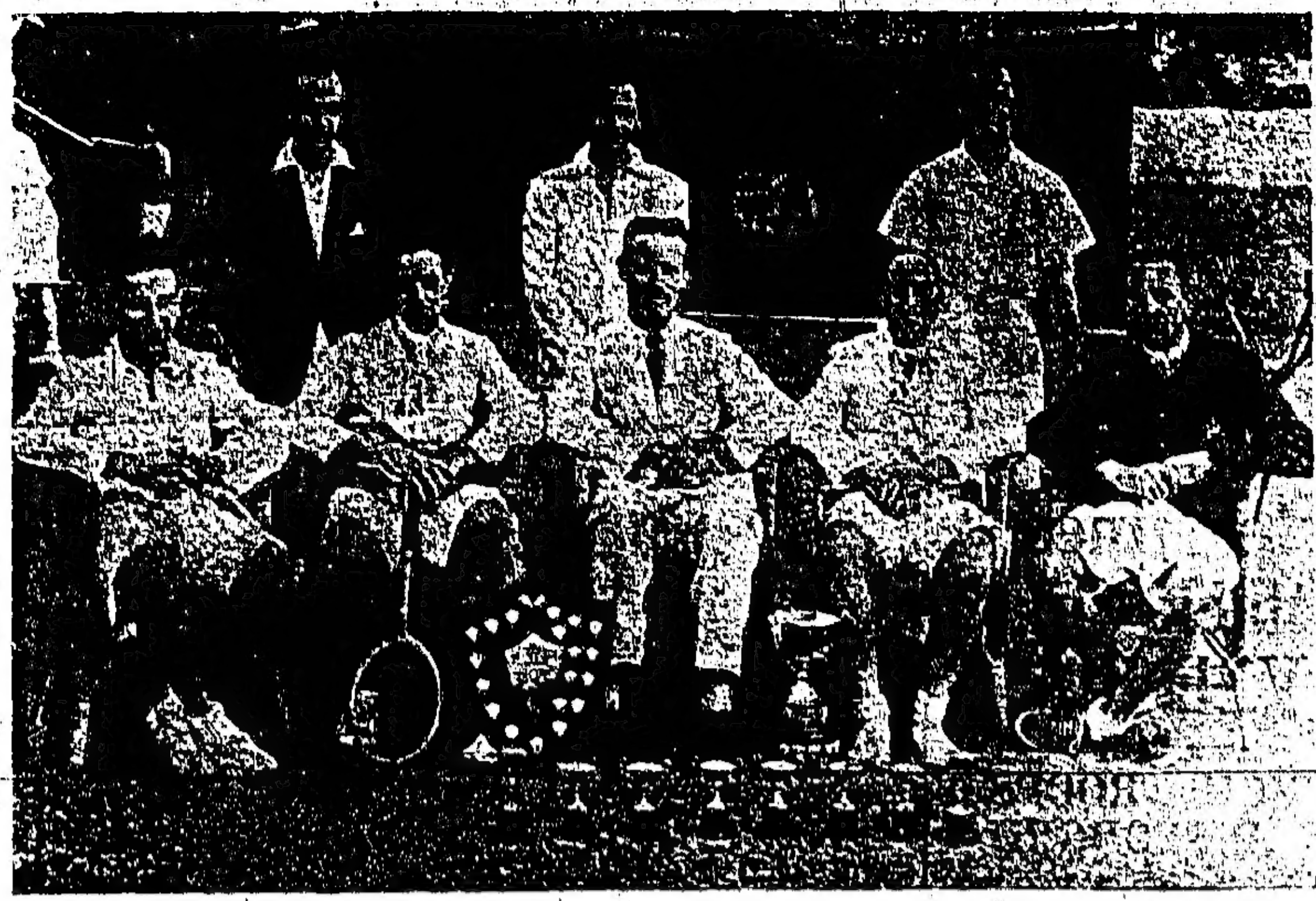
If we take up arms it will only be because the alternative is to see another nation brutally destroyed and the map of Europe changed by naked force.

"MALICE TOWARDS NONE"
We can go forward, in the great words of Lincoln's second inaugural speech, "with malice towards none, with charity for all, with firmness in the right as God gives us to see the right," with malice towards none, for we have not, and have never had, any hatred against the great German people, profoundly as we believe them to have been misled; with charity towards all, for our only aim is the establishment of a Europe in which peace and justice, religion and piety can freely dwell.

It is only too easy for those who remember the last war to say that we should not continue to live on this exalted plane. The danger is clear, and we should recognize it from the first. There will be no other safeguard except continually to remind ourselves that in so far as our cause is righteous it is God's cause and not ours, and to pray that no failure on our part may nullify the victory which we believe will come.

PRAYERS FOR PEACE
War or the danger of war forces us to our knees; if our prayers for peace are not answered as we hope it may be that God has some better thing in store even for us. His unworthy servants. It may be that this country, whose record, though very far from blameless, has in it many glorious pages; may yet deserve to hear those great words of welcome, "Open ye the gates, that the righteous nation which keepeth truth may enter in."

But behind and above the nations of the earth, destined to rise and fall as the centuries go by, there sits the God, whose purpose does not change: "The Lord is King, he is the peoples never so impatient; He sitteth between the cherubim, he is the earth never so tranquil."



Players who took part in the Hongkong Area Tennis League final at Sookunpoo. The R.A.O.C. won the Inter-Unit trophy.

STRENGTH OF CHINESE DOLLAR REVIVES: STREAM OF SELLING ORDERS NOTED

EXCHANGE MARKET CONTINUES FIRM

LONDON, Oct. 25 (Reuter).—Referring to the small, but constant, stream of selling orders from comparatively a large number of Chinese, "Finance and Commerce," the leading financial weekly, in a review of the local exchange market in the past week, states: "Apparently their confidence in the future of the dollar is returning and the steady, even if small, upward movement during the past week seems to have convinced them that the time has come to bring out their gold and get back to legal tender."

Whether their judgment is sound, the paper adds, only time will tell, but it was significant of the firmness of the market last week that the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank was able to buy, and did so, at 4-5/8 pence, without causing the slightest nervousness or trace of disturbance, whereas, previously, whenever the bank started to buy, sellers discreetly disappeared to wait events.

PEACE BOMBOES
Turning to the prevalent peace rumours, "Finance and Commerce" declares that they had no effect on the exchange, but it is interesting to note the curious influence upon domestic bonds of the Japanese report that in Tokyo the Minister of War has issued peremptory orders that the "China Incident" should be settled forthwith.

"To most western minds, such an order would have been interpreted as the signal for a renewal of military operations on a wider scale and more aggressively than ever, but the Chinese apparently regarded it as a Bull-Point for peace and domestic bonds. On the average, rose immediately by thirty-five cents."

THURSDAY'S MENU

BREAKFAST

Stewed Apricots
Cereal
Scrambled Eggs and Ham
Bran Muffins
Coffee

LUNCHEON

Tomato Juice Cocktail
Smoked Salmon on Toast
Roast of Beef
Sweet Potato Souffle
Creamed Turnips
Grilled Onions and Carrots
Chocolate Cream Pie
Tea

DINNER

Cream of Mushroom Soup
Red Cabbage Salad
Stuffed Baked Tomatoes
Steamed Rice
Creamed Spinach
Chilli Beans
Cori Bread
Custard
Caramel Sauce
Coffee

That we know, and from the Jewish Psalm there comes another word of sure comfort: "The righteous Lord loveth righteousness: His countenance shall behold the thing that is just."

BRITISH ENVOY'S WORK IN FRANCE APPRECIATED

PARIS, Oct. 25 (Reuter).—The French press expresses its appreciation of the work of Sir Eric Phipps, retiring British Ambassador, who arrived back in England yesterday. His statement on retiring is given particular attention and emphasis is laid on his appeal that the Entente so close between the two countries to-day should be made perpetual after their common victory.

AIRPORT NEWS

Imperial Airways:

NORTHBOUND
Thursday: Bangkok, Hanol Hongkong.
Dardanus—4 p.m.

SOUTHBOUND
Sunday: Hanol, Bangkok, Dardanus—7 a.m.

NORTHBOUND
Wednesday: France, Hanol, Hongkong.
Service—8 p.m.

SOUTHBOUND
Thursday: Hanol, France.
Service—8 a.m.

Pan American Airways:
EASTBOUND
Wednesday: U. S. A., Manila, Hongkong.
Honolulu Clipper—2 p.m.

WESTBOUND
Thursday: Manila, U.S.A.
Honolulu Clipper—2.30 a.m.

NOTE—The C.N.A.C. service from Hanol to Chungking via Kunming will commence operation twice a week, Hanol northward departures Wednesdays, Saturdays. Inward arrivals at Hanol, Tuesdays and Fridays.

A.R.P. ORDERS

(Orders by Wing-Commander Steele-Perkins, O.B.E., Director of Air Raid Precautions).

SPECIAL ORDER

His Excellency the Governor has expressed his appreciation of the work performed by the personnel of the A.R.P. Services on the night of the Black-out exercises on September 22.

STRENGTH INCREASE

The following having qualified are posted to the A.R.P. Establishment:—Instructors:—As per attached sheet. Wardens:—As per attached sheet.

TRAINING

Practical Courses:—Those Members who have passed the Practical.

Source of instructions, should forward their certificates to Headquarters for Amendment.

Lectures in English now in progress, Hongkong.

V. A. Course for soldiers wives at Kennedy Road Welfare Centre Mondays, 2.30 p.m. Commenced Monday, October. Lecturer Mrs. Steele-Perkins.

Short Course for Nuns, French Convent, Tuesdays at 5.15 p.m. Commenced October 10. Lecturer Miss Hall.

Full A.R.P. Course, 7th Day Adventist Church, Venris Road. Commenced October 15. Lecturer Mrs. Dunlop. Mondays and Thursdays.

KOWLOON

Short Course European Y.M.C.A. Mondays at 9.30 a.m. Commenced Monday, October 23. Lecturer Mrs. Steele-Perkins.

Lectures in Chinese now in progress, Hongkong.

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CHINESE EXECUTIVE YUAN ADOPTS IMPORTANT MEASURES

CHUNGKING, Oct. 25 (Central)—Two sets of measures relative to the relief of flood refugees in North China and the protection of families of persons taking part in the war of resistance respectively were adopted by the Executive Yuan at its regular meeting yesterday.

The flood relief measures, which were formulated by the National Relief Commission, will be enforced in the four provinces of Hopei, Honan, Shansi, and Shantung only for the time being.

Besides taking care of the refugees and transporting them to places where they can do productive work, the measures provide for the extension of rural credit loans and distribution of seeds to farmers whose lands are flooded. Small handicraft workshops will be established for the refugees while offices to extend credit loans will be set up.

The measures also provide for the care and education of children refugees from the flooded areas.

FINANCIAL AID
According to the measures for protection of families of persons taking part in the resistance, adequate protection is to be accorded to families living in the Japanese "occupied" areas or near the war zones by the local government, or other government organs concerned. They will be given financial aid to move to the rear.

The local governments and the relief organs will provide relief for whose families whose houses and other property have been burned and pillaged.

Funeral expenses and pensions will be granted to those persons whose families have been killed.

LAWN BOWLS

Continued from page 2

Kowloon Bowling Green on Saturday last was decided in favour of the former.

Already favoured to win before the game started, India had the match practically in the bag when it was known that A. R. Dallas was unable to play. M. R. Abbas who was to have been number three had to step into Dallas's shoes and A. M. Wahab, the Malaya reserve, was brought in as number two.

As indicated by the score (which, by the way, was 25-10 in India's favour) India had a runaway victory. They started off very well indeed, taking two fours in successive heads, very early in the match.

This must have discouraged the Malays, for it appeared to me that their play after this was marked by listlessness suggestive of the inevitability of defeat.

However, Abbas did try his best under the circumstances, but with U. M. Omar playing brilliantly

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coupled with the fact that he at the Kowloon Football Club on Sunday last were as follows:—England beat China by 24-11. Scotland beat Ireland by 29-17 and Switzerland beat the Philippines by 24-14.

THIRD ROUND DRAW
The draw for the third round matches took place on Monday and resulted as follows:—England will play against Switzerland.

OTHER RESULTS
The results of the other second round matches which were played

India will play Scotland. Of the four teams which will be on view this Sunday on the Kowloon Bowling Green, England certainly appears to have the most impressive combination, and should therefore be able to account for Switzerland. The winners in the India-Scotland match, are more difficult to pick. However, I believe that the final will be contested between England and Scotland.

Finance and Commerce

Logical Step

JAPAN'S ACTION TO ALIGN YEN TO THE U.S. DOLLAR

LONDON Oct. 25 (Reuter).—The Japanese decision to base the yen exchange on the U. S. dollar has created no surprise or dissatisfaction in London financial circles. On the contrary, it is regarded as a logical step.

With Britain and France both warring, there must be a certain amount of uncertainty regarding the future levels of sterling and the franc and the opinion is expressed that Japan is only following the example already set by the Scandinavian countries in aligning their currencies to the dollar, which, in actual fact, is the only major currency at present well outside the war's orbit.

STERLING ADVANCES

NEW YORK, Oct. 25 (Reuter).—Sterling strongly advanced on a sent level.

HONGKONG SHAREBROKERS ASSOCIATION

Volume Of Business Transacted on Wednesday, Oct. 25, 1939.
China Lights (O) 555 \$7.60

LONDON METALS EXCHANGE

London, Oct. 24 (Reuter).

	buyers	sellors
Standard, Cash 230		unquoted
Standard, 3 months 230		unquoted

thin market, which offerings were hard to obtain, the franc was also firm.

The dollar basis of the yen did not affect the market, since the new rate is approximately at pre-war level.

H. K. STOCK EXCHANGE

Only a small business, was recorded during the morning.

BUYERS

H.K. Bank, \$1280.
Canton Ins., \$2024.
Union Ins., \$375.
H.K. Fire, \$170.
Douglases, \$67.
H.K. Docks, \$18.
Providents, \$3.95.
Raubs, \$9.60.
H. & S. Hotels, \$41.
H.K. Lands, \$312.
Realities, \$4.
Tramways, \$15.70.
Vaumatics Ferries \$22.
China Lights (Old), \$7.60.
China Lights (New), \$4.1.
Electric, \$49.
Sandakan Lights, \$11.
Telephones (Old), \$20.
Cements, \$13.85.
Watsons, \$72.

SALES

Electric, \$50.
Cements, \$14.
Watsons, \$8/7.90.

SELLERS

Realities, \$4.20.
Tramways, \$16.
Sandakan Lights, \$11.
Cements, \$14.10.

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072 b. North Camarines, 112 b.

United Paracale, 25 b.

HONGKONG SHARE QUOTATIONS

STOCK EXCHANGE

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WED., 25. OCT.

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Insurance

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Underwriters

H.K. Fire

Shipping

Douglases

Steamboats

Indo-China (Frd.)

Indo-China (Def.)

Shells

Waterworks

Docks, Wharves,

Gardens, etc.

H.K. & K. Wharves

Providents

H.K. & W. Docks

Do. (new)

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Loong King (S.)

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Public Utilities

Tramways

Peak Tram (old)

Peak Tram (new)

Star Ferry

Yamat Ferry

Do. (new)

China Lights (O)

China Lights (New)

China Lights Rn.

H.K. Electric

Sandakan Lights

Telephones (old)

Telephones (new)

Traditions

Traditions (prod.)

Industrials

Cald. Macg. (Ord.) S.

Cald. Macg. (Frd.) S.

Canton Loan

Cement

Ropes

Miscellaneous

Dairy Farm (Old)

Dairy Farm (New)

Ch. H. Tainments

Constructions (old)

Constructions (new)

Loon Crawford

Nanyang Tobacco

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H.K. Govt. 3 1/2% Loans

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1939

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

QUOTATION

STOCKS	Last Sale	STOCKS	Last Sale
	Oct. 24		Oct. 24
Adams Express	10	Lakey Foundry & Mac.	31*
Allegheny Steel Co.	25 1/2	Libbey-Owens-Ford Glass	53 1/2
Allied Stores	10 1/2	Lockheed Aircraft	32 1/2
Allis Chalmers	43 1/2	Loew's Inc.	35 1/2
Aluminum Ltd.	94 1/2	Manhattan Shirt Co.	15 1/2
Amerada Corps.	94 1/2	Martin, Glen L.	41 1/2
Amer. Can.	113 1/2	McKesson, Robbins	162 1/2
American Cyanamid B	34 1/2	Monasanto Chemical	109 1/2
Amer. & Foreign Power	2 1/2	Montgomery Ward	56 1/2
Amer. & Foreign 7 1/2 pf.	27 1/2	Nat. Dairy Products	14
American Gas & Elec.	36 1/2	National Aviation	15 1/2
Amer. Locomotive	27 1/2	Nat. Distillers	24 1/2
Amer. Metals Co.	27	National Gypsum	12 1/2
Amer. Radiator	11 1/2	National Lead	22 1/2
Amer. Rolling Mill	20 1/2	Nat. Power & Light	9 1/2
Amer. S'ing and R'ing Co.	55 1/2	National Steel Corp.	75 1/2
Amer. Sugar R'ing	166 1/2	Nat. Supply Corp.	11 1/2
Amer. Tel. & Tel.	82	New York Central	21 1/2
Amer. Tobacco "B"	13 1/2	Niagara Hudson Power	8
Amer. Waterworks	13 1/2	N. American Aviation	27 1/2
Anasconda Copper	33 1/2	North American Co.	23 1/2
Atchafalpa, T. & S. Fe.	32	Northern Pacific	11 1/2
Auburn Motors	21	Owens-Illinois Glass Co.	66 1/2
Baltimore & Ohio	7 1/2	Pacific Gas & Elec.	31
Barber Asphalt Co.	14 1/2	Pacific Lighting	47 1/2
Barnsdall Oil	31	Packard Motors	3 1/2
Bendix Aviation	91 1/2	Paramount Pictures	26 1/2
Bethlehem Steel	17 1/2	Pennsylvania R.R.	44 1/2
Bliss & Co.	30 1/2	Phelps-Dodge	44 1/2
Boeing Airplane Co.	30 1/2	Phillips Petroleum	45 1/2
Borg-Warner	28 1/2	Pittsburg Coke & Iron	10 1/2
Bigs Manufacturing	25 1/2	Public Service of N.J.	40 1/2
Brooklyn-Manhattan Trans.	12 1/2	Pullman Inc.	38 1/2
B'klyn-Manhattan 8 1/2 cum pf.	—	Pure Oil	9 1/2
Canadian Pacific R'way.	82 1/2	Radio Corp. of Am.	6
Case, J.I.	27 1/2	Reading Company, Com.	20
Celanese	43	Reading Company, 1st pf.	28
Chesapeake & Ohio	43	Remington Arms Co. Inc.	54 1/2
Chrysler Corp.	91	Republic Aviation Corp.	54
Colts Patent Fire-Arms	38 1/2	Republic Steel	27 1/2
Columbia Gas & El.	7 1/2	Reynold Tobac. "B"	37 1/2
Columbia 6 1/2 "A" pf.	48	Richfield Oil	8 1/2
Commercial	11	Safeway Stores	48 1/2
Commonwealth & S. (ord.)	69 1/2	Schenley Distillers	14 1/2
Cwealth & S. 8 1/2 cum pf.	31 1/2	Schenley, 5 1/2 pf.	70
Consolidated Edison	81	Sears Roebuck	83 1/2
Consolidated Oil	48 1/2	Shell Union Oil	14
Continental Can	28	Socoy-Yacuum Oil	17 1/2
Continental Oil	63 1/2	Southern Pacific	34 1/2
Corn Products	81	Southern Ry 5 1/2 pf.	51
Curtiss Wright (C.)	28 1/2	Sperdy	31 1/2
Curtiss Wright "A"	24 1/2	Spicer Manufacturing Co.	54
Deere & Co.	15 1/2	Standard Brands	52 1/2
Distillers Corp. Seagrams	65 1/2	Stand Gas & Elec.	3
Douglas Aircraft	181 1/2	Standard Oil of California	28 1/2
Du Pont de Nemours	14	Standard Oil of N.J.	47 1/2
Eagle Picher Lead	29 1/2	Stone & Webster	14
Eaton Mfg. Co.	29 1/2	Swift International	32 1/2
Elec. Anticline	9 1/2	Technicolor	13
Elec. Bond & Share	—	Texas Corp.	47 1/2
Elec. Bond & Share 5 1/2 pf.	69 1/2	Texas Gulf Sulphur	36 1/2
Elec. Bond & Share 3 1/2 pf.	35 1/2	Trans-America Co.	6 1/2
Elec. Power & Light 7 1/2 pf.	21 1/2	20th Cent. Fox.	1
Flintkote	59 1/2	20th Cent. Fox. 1 1/2 pf.	2
Gen. American Trans.	41 1/2	Union Carbide & Carbon	9 1/2
Gen. Electric	54 1/2	Union Pacific	1
Gen. Motors	22 1/2	United Aircraft	47 1/2
Gen. Railway Signal	24 1/2	United Airlines Trans.	12 1/2
General Tire & Rubber Co.	20	United Corp.	24
Glidden Co.	20	United Corp. 3 1/2 cum pf.	36 1/2
Goodrich (B.F.)	22 1/2	United Gas Corp.	28
Goodrich 5 1/2 pf.	67 1/2	United Gas Improvement	14
Goodyear Tire & Co.	28 1/2	U.S. Industrial Alcohol	25
Great Northern Iron Ore	19	U.S. Rubber	43 1/2
Great Northern Ry. pf.	31 1/2	U.S. Rubber 8 1/2 pf.	1
Great Western Sugar	32	U.S. Steel	1
Greyhound Corp.	17 1/2	Vanadium	1
Greyhound Powder Co.	89 1/2	Walworth Co.	1
Homestake Mining	53 1/2	Warner Bros. Pict.	1
International Harvester	64 1/2	Westinghouse Elec.	1
Int. Nickel	39 1/2	Woodward Iron Cor.	1
Int. Tel. & Tel.	52	Chase National Bank	1
Johns Manville	80	National City Bank	1
J. & Laughlin Steel 7 1/2 pf.	80		
Kennecott Copper	40 1/2		

FOREIGN MARKETS & QUOTATIONS

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

(REUTERS SERVICE)

London, October 24

The following quotations are the middle prices at the close of the market in London. All quotations are subject to confirmation and no responsibility is assumed for errors in transmission.

War Loan, 3½% (Red after 1952)	83½
Canton-K'loon Rly. 5%	9
Chinese 4½% Gold Loan, 1898 (Brit. Issue)	40
Chinese 5% Gold Bonds, 1925-47	30
Chin. 4½% Anglo-French Loan, 1908	30
Chinese 5% Crisp Loan, 1912	17½
Chinese 5% Reorg. Loan, 1913 (Ldn. Is.)	25
Chinese 8% Ster. Notes, 1925 (Vickers)	6
Chin. Imperial Rly. 5% Loan	43
Honan Rly. 5%	10
Hukuang Rly. 5%, 1911	11
Hukuang Rly. 5%, 1911 (German Issue)	11
Lung Tsing & U. Hai Rly. 5% 1913	8
S'hai-N'king Rly. 5%	11
Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5% (Brit. Stpd.)	9
Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5% (German Stpd.)	9
Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5% (Brit. Stpd. Supl. Loan)	9
Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5% (Ger. Stpd. Supl. Loan)	9
Jap. 5% Ster. Loan, 1907	37
Jap. 6% Ster. Loan, 1924	43
Ger. 7% Intl. Loan, 1924	9
Chartered Bank	74
H.K. & S'hai Bank (Ldn. Reg.)	75½
H.K. & S'hai Bank (Col. Reg.)	76
Chinese Eng. & Mining (Bearer)	13/9
Chosen Corporation	5/8
Pekin Syndicate	—
S'hai Elec. Constr. Co.	10
S'hai Waterworks "A"	10
Union Insurance	18
Gula Kalumpung Rubber	16/3
Allied Ironfounders	15/7½
Asso. & Elec. Industries	38/3
Asian Motors, ord.	18/9
Cable & Wireless, New Form, ord.	48½

SILVER MARKET

LONDON SILVER
London, Oct. 24 (Reuter).
Silver—Bears covered. Offerings small. Buyers satisfied. Market steady. In the afternoon, the market was dull, with no business.

Spot, 23-3/8d.
Forward, 22-9/16d.
NEW YORK SILVER
New York, Oct. 24 (Reuter).
Official Price, 36-1/2.
BOMBAY SILVER
Bombay, Oct. 24 (Reuter).
Market—Quiet but steady. Off-take 20 bars.
Indian Mint Silver
Ready 59-04
Nov. 4 Settlement 59-06
Dec. 5 Settlement 59-08

LONDON GOLD

London, Oct. 24 (Reuter).
Bar Gold, Fine per oz., 168.

B.-A. Tob. (bearer)	85/7½
Mercantile Bank	108
Cammell Laird, ord.	6/9
Mexican Eagle	5/10½
Courtaulds	29
Distillers	65/9½
Dunlop Rubber	27/6
Gen. Electric (England)	72/9
Guinness (A) Son & Co.	85
Hawker Siddeley Atcr.	15/4½
Bojstol Aeroplane	17/1½
Imperial Chemical Ind.	30
Imperial Tobacco	115
Marks & Spencer "A" ord.	49/4½
Rolls Royce	93/9
Leyland Motors	87/6
Tate & Lyle	59/6
Turner & Newall	75
United Steel	22/10½
Smethwick Drop Forg.	13
Armstrong Stevens, ord.	5/3
Pressed Steel, com.	14/4½
Vickers, ord.	17/7½
Woolworths	58
Anglo-Dutch	26/6
Rub. Plant. Invest. Trust	30/3
Burma Corporation	9/1½
Commonwealth Mining	—
Marsman Investments	12
Randfontein Estates	35/7½
Western Holdings	8/3
Sub-Nigel	192/5
Tanami-Gold-Mining	3d
Anglo-Iranian	61/3
Burmah	64/4½
Shell Trans. & Trad. (bearer)	84/4½
—ex-rights	—
—Nominal	—

MONEY AND EXCHANGE

CLOSING QUOTATIONS

OCTOBER 25, 1939

On London:	Telegraphic Transfer, 1/8 7/8
Bank Bills, on demand/8 7/8	
Credits 4 months' sight/13/9 3/4	
On Shanghai:	On demand 380
On Singapore:	On demand 12 3/4
On Japan:	On demand 16 1/2
On India:	Telegraphic Transfer, 89 3/8
On New York:	Bank Bills, on demand 34 7/8
Credits, 60 days' sight 34 5/8	
On Batavia:	On demand 45 3/4
On Manila:	On demand 49 3/4
On Bangkok:	On demand 149 1/2
Sterling Notes:	Bank Buying Rate 1/4
Bar Silver per oz.	23 3/8

Market Report

FROM ROZA BROS.

Wednesday, Oct. 25.
Silver prices rose yesterday to the extent of 1/4 for Ready and 3/8 for Forward, the quotations being 23 3/8 and 22 9/16 respectively. Silver advances reported some bear covering. The market was steady but dull. American Silver was quoted at 36 1/2 for Spot.
The London/New York cross-rate was quoted at 402. New York/London was quoted at the same rate.
There were some changes this morning, quotations were as follows:—
Sterling 1/2 7/8; Straits 52 3/4; Yen 105 1/2; Rupees 82 3/8; U.S. 24 7/8; Shanghai 280.
Guilivers 45 3/4; Francs 10 90; Manila 49 3/4; Bangkok 149 1/2; Saigon 108.
Market.
Sterling.
Some business was reported at 1/3 October and also Cash. The market closed with sellers at 1/3 October, 1/23/52 November/January, buyers at 1/3 1/32 Cash and 1/3 November.
U.S. Dollars.
Some business was reported at 25 1/8 for October. The market closed with sellers at 25 1/16 October, possibly November, buyers at 25 3/16 Cash and 25 1/8 November.
Shanghai Dollars.
Shanghai Dollars. Early in the morning there were sellers at 296. Towards the close sellers were quoted at 305 for Spot.
Shanghai Market.
Shanghai Market. Sterling opened uncertain with sellers at 415/16 for Sp. t. Subsequently the market eased off and closed with buyers at 413/16 for Spot. U.S. Dollars opened with sellers at 89/32 for Spot and closed towards the close with sellers for Spot at 85/32.
Merchant scale for Sterling To-day: Subject to Negotiation.

Shanghai Exchange

Shanghai, Oct. 25 (Reuter).

Official T.T. Rates

London	Opening 0/4-1/4
New York	7-1/8
Japan	30-1/4
India	23-1/2
Paris	3-11
Hongkong	28-1/4

Spot	0/4-15/16	0/4-51/64
Oct.	0/4-15/16	0/4-51/64
Nov.	0/4-7/8	0/4-23/32

Spot	58-9/32	58-1/32
Oct.	8-9/32	8-1/32
Nov.	8-1/8	7-7/8

Market: Quiet.
Merchant Rate.
Sterling, 0/4-3/4.
U.S. Dollars, 57-15/16.
Silver Duty Rate.

The Central Bank of China's rate on London at 10 a.m. to-day was 1/2-1/24, unchanged from yesterday.
The Equalisation rate was 24 per cent.

Calcutta Exchange
Calcutta, Oct. 24 (Reuter).
T.T. on Japan, 78-3/4.

India Rupee Paper
Bombay, Oct. 24 (Reuter).
Govt. 3½% Rupee, 84-00-0.

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COMMODITY MARKET REVIEW

(FROM PAYNE & CO.)

	October 23	October 24	change
SINGAPORE RUBBER buyers	36	36-3/8	up 3/8
S P O T	34-1/2	34-7/8	—
APRIL-JUNE	34	34-3/8	—

The market was quiet.
COTTON: There was a consistent foreign and domestic trade demand. Hedging was small on prospects that a government loan will shortly become mandatory and that domestic cotton consumption this season will be heading for the highest total on record. It is conservatively estimated by a reliable Trade resource that domestic mills will use 8,000,000 to 8,500,000 bales this season.

RUBBER: The market was easy, being largely the reflection of the reports that near month's arrivals will be heavy and the belief that supplies will be ample here. Dealers were the principal sellers. There was a fair amount of support but buying was not impressive.

WHEAT: Cash premiums are still maintained in the United States. There was no change in the drought conditions in South-West. In the Winnipeg market, an easier tone prevailed on more favourable weather conditions, and this was reflected in our market.

HIDES: The market was steady in sympathy with the stock market. Traders are mostly adopting a waiting attitude pending Washington development on Neutrality revision.

NEW YORK STOCKS: Previous close, 153.71; To-day's close, 154.07; Change, up .36.

NEW YORK COMMODITY MARKET

(By Courtesy of Messrs. Swan, Culbertson & Fritz and S. E. Lev & Company)

	High	Low	Prev. To-day's	Change
New York Cotton, Dec.	9.08	9.01	9.03	.05 up
New York Rubber, Dec.	20.20	19.88	20.28	.35 off
Chicago Wheat, Dec.	84½	84	84½	½ off
Chicago Corn, Dec.	49½	48½	49½	½ off
Winnipeg Wheat, Dec.	—	—	70½	½ off
New York Hides, Dec.	14.70	14.50	14.55	.12 up

	December	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September
NEW YORK COTTON	9.02/03	9.01/02	9.07/08	9.05	up	—	—	—	—	—
December	8.95 N	8.94/94	8.99 N	.04	up	—	—	—	—	—
January	8.83/83	8.82/83	8.88/88	.03	up	—	—	—	—	—
February	8.70/80	8.70/80	8.72/72	.02	up	—	—	—	—	—
March	8.53/53	8.53/53	8.54/55	.02	up	—	—	—	—	—
April	9.30 N	9.30 N	9.35 N	.05	up	—	—	—	—	—
May	8.72 N	8.71b	8.73 N	.01	up	—	—	—	—	—

	December	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September
NEW YORK RUBBER	20.20/28	20.21b/34a	19.93/83	.35	off	—	—	—	—	—
December	18.90/90	18.80b/19.00a	18.85b/67a	.23	off	—	—	—	—	—
January	18.50/50	18.49/49	18.28b/30a	.20	off	—	—	—	—	—
February	18.44 N	18.40b/55a	18.10b/15a	.29	off	—	—	—	—	—
March	unquoted	unquoted	unquoted	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

	December	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September
CHICAGO WHEAT	84½/84½	84½/84½	84½/84½	½	off	—	—	—	—	—
December	84½/84½	84½/84½	84½/84½	½	off	—	—	—	—	—
January	82½/83	82½/83	82½/83	½	off	—	—	—	—	—

	December	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September
CHICAGO CORN	49½/49½	49½/49½	49½/49½	½	off	—	—	—	—	—
December	52½/52½	51½/51½	52½/52½	½	off	—	—	—	—	—
January	53/53	53/53	53/53	½	off	—	—	—	—	—

	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September
WINNIPEG WHEAT	70½/70½	71½/71½	71½/71½	½	off	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
October	72 b	71½/71½	71½/71½	½	off	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
November	76½/77	76½/76½	76½/76½	½	off	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

	December	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September
NEW YORK HIDES	14.55/55	14.50b/55a	14.65/87	.12	up	—	—	—	—	—
December	14.77/80	14.90/91	15.00/91	.20	up	—	—	—	—	—
January	15.09 b	15.04b/14a	15.20b/22a	.13	up	—	—	—	—	—
February	39-1/8	36-1/2	36-1/2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
March	4.01-3/8	4.02	4.02	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

Increasing Food Production

The Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries announces that in war it would concentrate its energies on directing a campaign to increase the production of food, which represents a vital important aspect of national defence.

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The Ministry of Agriculture points out that increased food production will call for larger supplies of tractors, machinery, oil, fertilisers and other requisites.

Everything possible, it states, will be done to meet these demands, and it is not expected that there will be any shortage of petrol or vaporising oils. Farmers also are

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10 a.m., October 25.

Barometer (at sea level), 30.10 Ins.
Temperature, 77 F.
Humidity, 59 per cent.
Wind Direction, E.N.E.
Wind Force (Beaufort), 3.
Temperature: maximum yesterday,
84 F.

Temperature: minimum last night,
69 F.

Rainfall for 24 hrs. ending 10th
to-day, nil.

Total rainfall since January 1st,
81.88 ins.

Against an average of, 81.53 ins.

Sunrise to-night, 5.51 p.m.

Sunrise to-morrow, 6.25 a.m.

4 p.m., Oct. 25.

Barometer (at sea level), 29.99.

Temperature, 76 F.

Humidity, 62 per cent.

Wind Direction, ESE.

Wind Force (Beaufort), 3.

Maximum temperature, 81 F.

Minimum temperature, 69 F.

Rainfall, nil.

HONG KONG TIDE TABLE

From 26 Oct. to 1 Nov. 1939

Days of Week	Date of Month	High WATER		Low WATER	
		Hong Kong Standard Time	Height	Hong Kong Standard Time	Height
Thur. 25	25	h. m.	a. m.	h. m.	a. m.
		08 03	8 51	02 00	3 4
		20 20	8 51	13 56	2 9
Fri. 26	26	08 41	8 51	02 37	2 9
		21 27	8 51	14 37	2 9
Sat. 27	27	09 26	8 51	03 15	2 4
		22 10	8 51	15 38	3 1
Sun. 28	28	10 05	8 51	03 54	2 0
		22 57	8 51	16 38	3 4
Mon. 29	29	10 48	8 51	04 36	1 8
		23 00	8 51	16 55	3 6
Tue. 30	30	11 38	8 51	05 18	1 6
		23 35	8 51	16 50	3 8
Wed. 1	1	12 35	8 51	05 03	1 8
		23 20	8 51	16 48	4 0

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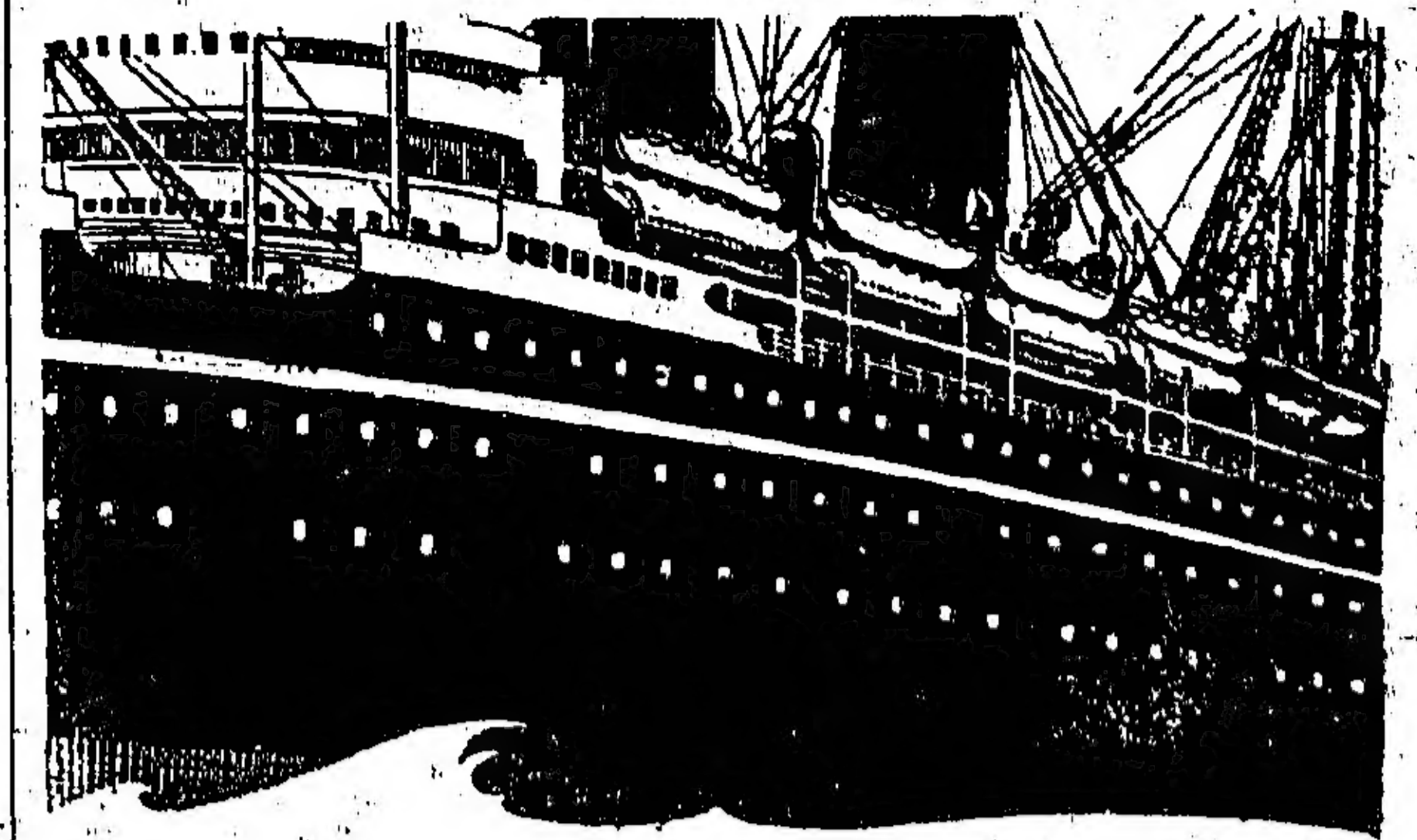
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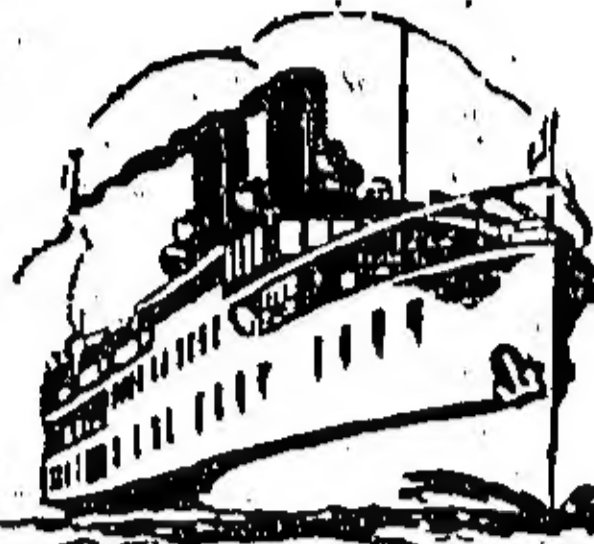
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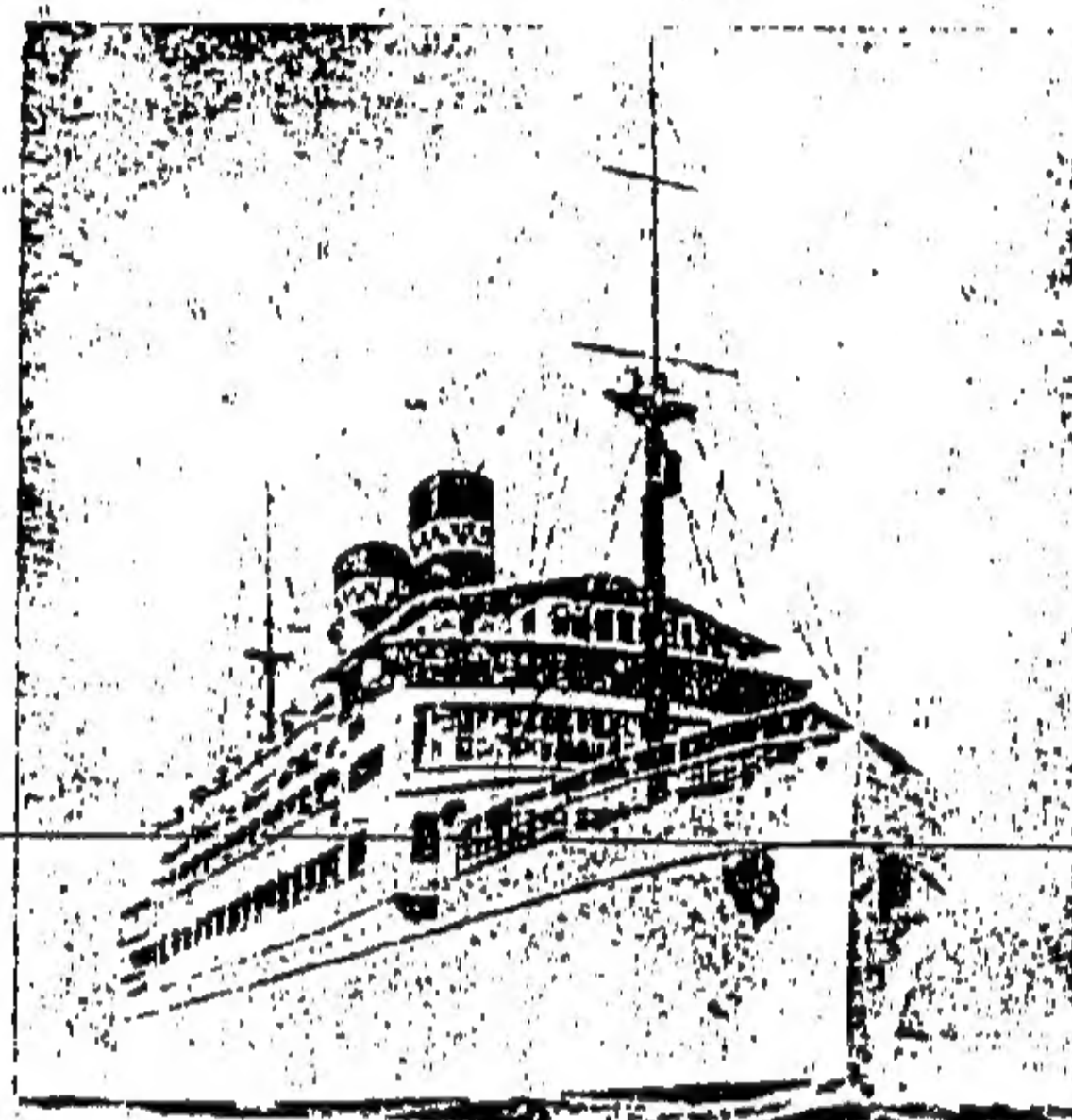
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JAPANESE MASS 10,000 TROOPS IN CANTON FOR ACTION IN KWANTUNG

CONCENTRATION OF WARSHIPS

ON THE KWANTUNG FRONT. OCT. 25 (Central)—PRESAGING RENEWED ACTIVITY IN KWANTUNG, OVER 10,000 JAPANESE REINFORCEMENTS ARE REPORTED TO BE MASSED IN CANTON. SOME 2,000 HAVE BEEN DISPATCHED UP THE WEST RIVER TO THE SAMSHUI SECTOR AND 1,000 TO SHENKONG, SOUTH OF TSUNGFA.

Extensive Japanese movements between Canton and other points along its outer defence lines are also reported.

Japanese scouts have been found inspecting the roads and paths between Kunyul and Lupo, northwest of Canton.

A concentration of Japanese warships is said to have been sighted off Wangmoon, on the Chungshan coast. Chinese defence units are taking precautions. Military dispatches from the

NAZI PRISONERS OF WAR IN BRITAIN

LONDON, Oct. 25 (BWS)—It was stated in the House of Lords yesterday that 110 German sailors and airmen are interned as prisoners of war in Britain. As there are only an insignificant number of British airmen prisoners in Germany, no question of exchange of prisoners so far arises.

Sunwul sector reveal that Chinese troops have once broken into Sunwul city. They started several fires in the city.

The bulk of the Chinese force attacking Sunwul is in occupation of a number of strategic points around the city, including Chukuan, Salong, Mashan, Fungshan and Chungwolee.

LINTONG RETAKEN
Lintong on the Sunwul-Hokshan highway has been taken back by the Chinese.

Japanese military notes circulated in occupied areas in Kwangtung have registered a heavy slump, \$1 being quoted at only 30 cents national currency.

Nazis Keep Silent On Air Losses

NOT MENTIONED IN BROADCASTS

LONDON, Oct. 25 (Reuter)—German air losses in the convoy action have been entirely ignored in German broadcasts. For instance five German aircraft lost in the raid on the convoy off the Humber on Oct. 21 were not mentioned in any German wireless.

The fact that the British sustained no losses in any recent engagement seems to show the definite superiority of British fighting machines.

LACK OF FOOD IN VIENNA

VIENNA, Oct. 25 (Reuter)—Women of Vienna are forming processions to protest against the lack of food.

With a traditional sense of the dramatic they carry empty food-baskets over their heads and dismally chant: "We Thank Our Fuehrer."

CHINA WAR NEWS

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KAOAN, KIANGSI, Oct. 25 (Central)—It is rumoured that in view of the Chinese relentless attacks, the Japanese at Fenghsien and other points, west of the Nanchang-Kiukiang Railway, are contemplating a withdrawal to the railway line to consolidate their positions.

In an assault yesterday morning Chinese troops completely occupied the bus station outside Fenghsien city, inflicting some 200 Japanese casualties.

Rows of Chinese civilian houses around Putienchiao, south-west of Wuning, were razed to the ground by fire set by the Japanese.

NIGHT RAID
CHUNGKING, Oct. 25 (Central)—Taking advantage of a brilliant moon, 24 Japanese aircraft in two groups raided Szechwan last night. The first group flew over Wushan and Fenghsien on the Yangtze River in eastern Szechwan and released a number of bombs.

TRUE BLUE WINS
True Blue (Miss H. Crawhall-Wilson) won the Sweepstake Race of the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club sailed yesterday afternoon. Results were as follows:—

	Finished	Corr. Pos.
Eve	17.02.41	17.02.41 7
(Maj. G. I. F. Archer)		
Isobel	18.54.12	18.54.12 4
(Capt. G. E. Neve)		
Joss	17.04.04	17.04.05 8
(Maj. Templer)		
Gull	18.55.22	18.55.22 6
(Col. G. C. Goulland)		
Redshank	18.43.23	18.43.26 2
(Capt. M. T. F. Wilkinson)		
Trueblue	18.46.52	18.46.52 1
(Miss H. Crawhall-Wilson)		
Jean	18.54.21	18.54.21 5
(Mr. N. M. Cutbertson)		
La Linda	18.53.52	18.53.52 3
(Mrs. M. I. Jonstone)		

U.S. Wants Explanation For Seizure Of City Of Flint By Germany

WHEREABOUTS OF AMERICAN CREW STILL UNKNOWN

LONDON, Oct. 25 (Reuter)—The United States Embassy in Berlin has received instructions to ask the German Government for a full explanation of the seizure of the City of Flint (6,501 tons), which is owned by the United States Shipping Board.

At present the German Admiralty denies any knowledge of the seizure.

The City of Flint was seized on Saturday by a German cruiser while she was on her way from America to Liverpool and Glasgow. She was taken to the Norwegian port of Tromsø, but put to sea again after two hours and Norwegian sailors say that they saw her hoist the Swastika flag.

On Monday, she arrived in the Gulf of Kola (in which Murmansk is situated), flying the Nazi flag.

DETAINED BY SOVIET

The Soviet authorities promptly detained her and the German "prize crew" of eighteen men. It is unknown whether the original American crew was still on board.

The Soviet authorities state that the detention is only temporary and American circles in Moscow believe that arrangements will soon be made to enable her to sail again.

The Germans claim that she carried contraband cargo.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 25 (Reuter)—More than half of the City of Flint's cargo is probably conditional contraband and a small part probably absolute contraband, declared Mr. Cordell Hull, discussing the seizure at length at a press conference.

He declined to state what action the Government might take and said that the incident was apparently moving in the direction of Prize Court proceedings.

In this case it was a matter of force from beginning to end and information received indicated that the German crew and flag were replaced by an American crew and flag.

A later message stated that the State Department had instructed the U. S. Embassy in Berlin to ask for a full explanation on the reported seizure of the City of Flint.

PRESIDENT'S STATEMENT

WASHINGTON, Oct. 25 (Reuter)—The United States Government is still trying to find out from Russia details of the seizure of the City of Flint, but no information has yet been received of the whereabouts of the crew. President Roosevelt stated, at a press conference yesterday.

Replying to a question the President said that a Government-owned ship was practically in the same status as a private vessel as far as seizure was concerned and added that a report had been received from the United States Ambassador in Moscow that all the facts about the seizure were not yet known there.

NAZI U-BOATS CLAIM FURTHER VICTIMS: BRITISH AND SUNK IN ATLANTIC:

LONDON, Oct. 25 (Reuter)—The British steamer Clan Chisholm (7,256 tons) has been sunk, according to a report reaching Glasgow, and the British steamer Menin Ridge (2,474 tons) is also officially reported to have been sunk.

A Washington message states that the United States Maritime Commission announced that the American steamer Crown City rescued five survivors of the Menin Ridge and the entire crew of the British freighter Ledbury. Both were lost in the North Atlantic. Twenty-two members of the crew of the Menin Ridge were lost.

WOMEN & CHILDREN AMONG MISSING FROM YORKSHIRE

LONDON, 25 (Reuter)—The names of a number of women and children appear among the list of those missing from the Bibby, Linc. Yorkshire, issued yesterday by the owners.

Those missing comprise mostly service men and their families and includes Col. W. L. E. Reynolds, R. A.M.C., Col. H. Cornford, R. A. C. C., Capt. F. W. Best, Lancashire Regiment, Squadron Leader P. Thrupp, R.A.F.

GREEK VESSEL

LONDON, Oct. 25 (Reuter)—The Konstantinos Hadji Pateras, (4,684-tons) has been sunk by a U-Boat. An ambulance was waiting when a lifeboat arrived with fifteen men, after they had been transferred to her by a British vessel. The captain said that the ship sank early yesterday. A few men got into the lifeboat and others dived overboard. The missing men were among those seen swimming in the water. The men were taken to the Salvo's Home, which had just been vacated by the crew of the Norwegian oil tanker Deodata, sunk in the North Sea on Saturday.

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out-flanking movements by Chinese troops who had withdrawn to mountainous regions northeast of Changsha, cutting the communication lines at the Japanese rear, the attacking forces, who were virtually at the door of Changsha, began to feel the pinch when their food and ammunition supplies failed to arrive. The Japanese line crumbled when Chinese counter-attacks. Between October 2 to 7, the Japanese had fallen back more than 70 miles.

Assisting the Chinese units were the people, who killed Japanese stragglers and helped the Chinese wounded. The hilly regions were obstacles to Japanese withdrawal. Their losses were therefore unusually heavy. On October 5, the Japanese desperately attempted to hold a line running from Hsin-chiang River to Tungcheng and Haisui. They even failed at this for the Chinese forces re-entered Haisui at 8 p.m. on October 5. Areas south of Hsin-chiang River had been cleared of Japanese (C.I.C.)

FOREIGN MAILS

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, 26th OCTOBER, 1939, 9.30 A.M.

Small Packet Post to all countries is suspended.

ADDITION OF SENDER'S ADDRESS

Every article sent through the Posts should bear in the left-hand corner, or on the back, the name and address of the sender, so that the Post Office may be able in case of non-delivery, to return it unopened and without delay. A large number of undelivered articles are destroyed every year at the Returned Letter Office because they contain no clue, outside or inside, of the whereabouts of the sender.

Owing to the uncertainty of Sea transport the public are requested to post Christmas Parcels early, preferable before the end of October.

INWARD MAILS

From	Due
Haiphong Pakhoi, Hothow and Fort Bayard	29th Oct.
Haiphong, Pakhoi and Hothow	29th Oct.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 18th October	28th Oct.
Straits and Tourane	29th Oct.
Shanghai	29th Oct.
Bangkok	29th Oct.
Shanghai and Amoy	29th Oct.
Japan	29th Oct.
Manila	29th Oct.
Manila	29th Oct.
Shanghai	29th Oct.
Haiphong	29th Oct.
Japan	29th Oct.
Shanghai	29th Oct.
U. S. A., Honolulu and Japan—(San Francisco date, 30th September)	28th Oct.
Calcutta and Saigon	29th Oct.
U. S. A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco date, 8th October)	29th Oct.
Japan and Shanghai	29th Oct.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date 21st October	29th Oct.
Straits	29th Oct.
Shanghai	29th Oct.
Shanghai	29th Oct.
Manila	29th Oct.
Haiphong, Pakhoi and Hothow	29th Oct.
Shanghai and Amoy	29th Oct.
Japan and Shanghai	29th Oct.
Japan	29th Oct.
Shanghai	29th Oct.
Shanghai and Amoy	29th Oct.
Straits	29th Oct.
Japan	29th Oct.
Japan and Shanghai	29th Oct.
Straits	29th Oct.
Australia and Manila	29th Oct.
Shanghai	29th Oct.
Straits	29th Oct.
Japan	29th Oct.
Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 25th October	1st Nov.
Air Mail by "Air France Direct Service"—Paris date, 25th October	1st Nov.
Haiphong and Hothow	1st Nov.
Java and Manila	1st Nov.
Manila	1st Nov.
Manila	1st Nov.
Japan	1st Nov.
Sandakan	2nd Nov.
Shanghai	2nd Nov.
Shanghai	2nd Nov.
Australia and Manila	2nd Nov.
Straits	2nd Nov.
Straits	2nd Nov.
Japan	2nd Nov.
Japan	2nd Nov.
Canada, U.S.A. Japan and Shanghai—Vancouver B. C. date 18th October	6th Nov.

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For	Date and Time
THURSDAY	Thu. 26th
Haiphong	1.00 PM
Fort Bayard	2.30 PM
Shanghai	3.30 PM
FRIDAY	Fri. 27th
Tourane	8.30 AM
Fort Bayard	10.00 AM
	K.P.O.
	Ord. 6.00 PM
	Reg. 5.30 PM
	G.P.O.
	Reg. 6.00 PM
	Ord. 7.00 PM
Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island—due Thursday Island, 9th November	
SATURDAY	Sat. 28th
Saigon	10.30 AM
Amoy	2.30 PM
Manila	5.00 PM
	G.P.O. & K.P.O.
	Reg. 6.00 PM
	Ord. 6.30 PM
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—Due London, 5th November	Parcels 5.00 PM
	Ord. 6.30 PM
Straits and Calcutta	
SUNDAY	Sun. 29th
Swatow	9.00 AM
Shanghai and Parcels only for Tientsin	9.00 AM
Fort Bayard, Hothow and Pakhoi	9.00 AM
MONDAY	Mon. 30th
Japan	8.30 AM
Straits, Ceylon, India, East Africa, Aden, Egypt & Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 1st December and London Parcels—due London, 8th December	G.P.O. & K.P.O. Par. 5.00 PM Reg. 30th 5.45 AM Ord. 30th 10.30 AM
Parcels only for Calcutta	Noon
Parcels only for Haiphong	1.00 PM
Haiphong	2.00 PM
Japan	3.30 PM

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